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SOPER WILL PLAY

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

DESPITE the sensational withdrawal from the Australian national team by Sydney Olympic's dynamic striker, Marshall Soper, I fully expect him to play in this week's International Series starting in Melbourne on Wednesday night.

Soper caused a major upset in Soccer circles when he declared himself unavailable for the Australian team late Friday afternoon.

But moves will be made early today to persuade Soper to reconsider his withdrawal.

The Sydney Olympic striker, easily one of Australia's biggest personality players, withdrew himself from the Australian squad due to pressures brought upon him by the riot at Pratten Park three weeks ago.

Stunned by Soper's withdrawal from the squad, national coach Frank Arok immediately pulled in Marconi's goalscorer, Rod Brown.

Arok lamented last night: "He is too valuable a player to miss the International Soccer Series".



Crack striker,
Marshall Soper.

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wal. That is why I expect the powerful striker to pull on the No 8 shirt for Australia and slot in alongside his national captain, John Kosmina.

If Soper does not make T.A.A.'s 10 am flight out of Sydney this morning with the Australian team flying to Melbourne, he WILL play next Friday night at the St George Stadium against the crack Yugoslav team, Red Star.

Australia must have Soper's action-packed play to win the \$120,000 cash-prize International Soccer Series which also includes the top Greek side, A.E.K. of Athens.

AUSSIE HOT TIPS!

BY JOHNNY WARREN

THE Socceroos have an excellent chance of adding AEK of Athens to their growing list of international scalps in the \$120,000 International tournament.

That's the highly credible opinion of Socceroo and Heidelberg star George Christopoulos, who only last season spent twelve months with the Athens based club.

The Socceroos could do worse than call George in to give John Kosmina and company the full run down on AEK as no one knows more about them than Christopoulos.

"If AEK come here with a typical lackadaisical Greek footballing attitude Australia will beat them comfortably," says Christopoulos.

But he adds the proviso that with new coach, Poland's Jacek Gmoch at the helm, it is highly unlikely AEK will "be taking it easy" as Gmoch is renowned as the strictest of disciplinarians.

"This is pre season preparation for AEK and apart from his widely known discipline Gmoch will be out to top his old club Panathinaikos whom he coached from 1983-1985 in the forthcoming championship and also improve AEK's position from second this year to first next season."

In Christopoulos' opinion AEK is a better side than Iraklis which toured here last year.

"They are one of the big money clubs of Greece and have only been out of the top four on four occasions in the past twenty five years.

"Also in Thomas Mavros they have the best striker in Greece.

"Unlike Hatzapanagis who was here with Iraklis, Mavros is an out and out striker



THOMAS MAVROS



MARTON ESTERHAZY

who does little for most of the game except score goals.

"His conversion rate of chances is credibly high and obviously the Socceroos must keep him under control the whole time."

"Half a chance and he'll score," is Christopoulos' summing up of the highly rated striker.

Christopoulos also singled out AEK's two foreign international players — Esterhazy (Hungary) and Sandberg (Sweden) for spe-

cial mention.

Twenty nine year-old Marton Esterhazy has played 15 times for Hungary and scored 4 goals in AEK's 1984/85 season.

Sweden's 27 year-old Hokan Sandberg has played 12 times for Sweden and scored 23 goals last season — Mavros scored 36.

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NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

ROUND 21:

SYDNEY CITY 2 (Gomez, Barnes) APIA LEICHHARDT 0 at St George Stadium. Crowd: 1014.
NEWCASTLE 1 (D Stewart) MONARO 0 at Adamstown Oval. Crowd: 900.
ST GEORGE 0 SYDNEY CITY 1 (J Kosmina) 0 at St George Stadium. Crowd: 2130.
MARCONI 6 (M Jankovics 3, R Brown 2, D Lowe) PENRITH 0 at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 1888.
BLACKTOWN 1 (J Bradley) LEICHHARDT 1 (K Cavan) at Toongabbie. Crowd: 643.
CANBERRA 1 (T English) WOLLONGONG 1 (A Bundalo) at Bruce Stadium. Crowd: 947.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (P Raskopoulos, M Soper, C Kalantzis) SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Z Odzakov) at St George Stadium. Crowd: 8252.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney City	21	14	5	2	38	17	33
Sydney Croatia	21	13	5	3	47	22	31
Marconi	21	12	6	3	46	21	30
Sydney Olympic	21	12	2	7	27	23	26
Canberra	21	8	6	7	31	31	22
St George	21	7	7	7	30	25	21
Inter Monaro	21	7	5	9	28	36	19
Blacktown	21	7	4	10	30	31	18
Apia Leichhardt	20	6	2	13	20	35	14
Wollongong City	21	4	6	11	26	46	14
Penrith City	21	3	6	12	20	34	12
Newcastle Rosebud	21	4	4	13	19	41	12

NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

ROUND 21:

BRISBANE LIONS 1 (J Stewart) HEIDELBERG 2 (S Tassios, P Tsolakis) at Richlands. Crowd: 1113.
ADELAIDE CITY 1 (C Villani) SUNSHINE 1 (M Lennon) at Olympic Sports Field. Crowd: 1000.
BRUNSWICK 1 (A Zinni) MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (J Campbell) at Olympic Park. Crowd: 3000.
PRESTON 1 (Gole) WEST ADELAIDE 1 (G Price) at Connor Reserve. Crowd: 1000.
GREEN GULLY 2 (P Lewis 2) FOOTSCRAY 1 (J Kodzo) at Green Gully Reserve. Crowd: 1200.
SOUTH MELBOURNE 4 (C Egan, E McDowell, O Crino, D Brown) BRISBANE CITY 1 (F Pimblett) at Middle Park. Crowd: 1000.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South Melbourne	21	13	5	3	36	21	31
Brunswick Juve	21	11	6	4	33	19	28
Heidelberg Utd	21	10	6	5	29	17	26
Melbourne Croatia	21	9	6	6	27	18	24
Preston	21	9	5	7	29	27	22
Sunshine GC	21	7	7	7	22	22	21
Brisbane Lions	20	7	4	9	23	27	18
Green Gully	21	6	5	10	23	28	17
Adelaide City	21	6	5	10	29	35	17
West Adelaide	21	6	5	10	24	34	17
Brisbane City	20	6	4	10	25	39	16
Footscray	21	5	2	14	25	39	12

NSL TOP SCORERS

14 — Patikas (S. Cro)
13 — Jankovics (M), Arnold (S. Cro)
11 — Brown (M)
9 — O'Connor (B), Lowe (M)
8 — Morgan (SG), Farina (S. Cit), Kosmina (S. Cit), Gomez (S. Cit)
15 — Egan (SM)
11 — Stevenson (H), Price (WA)
10 — Sweeney (BJ), Lewis (GG)
9 — Latif (SGC)
8 — Zinni (BJ), Ward (MC), Smith (P), Brown (SM)

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wollongong	21	15	1	5	45	25	31
Canberra	21	14	3	4	42	26	31
Sydney City	18	10	3	5	43	22	23
A.I.S.	19	9	5	5	57	40	23
Newcastle	21	9	5	7	25	22	23
Leichhardt	21	8	5	8	28	31	21
St George	20	9	2	9	38	41	20
Inter-Monaro	23	8	4	11	31	45	20
Marconi	22	6	6	10	40	45	18
Olympic	22	6	5	11	30	41	17
Croatia	22	5	6	11	30	42	16
Blacktown	21	6	3	12	35	47	15
Penrith	21	6	2	13	30	47	14

NEWCASTLE 0 INTER-MONARO 0
ST GEORGE 1 (Ollerenshaw 52) SYDNEY CITY 2 (Parish 58, Saad 70)
OLYMPIC 4 (Stavropoulos 13, Chillas 30, Melissourgos 58, Oustampassis 70) CROATIA 1 (Samardzic 36)
MARCONI 3 (Sharne 24, Genc 80, Reid 87) PENRITH 1 (Csoka 56)
CANBERRA 0 WOLLONGONG 1 (Corradini 85)
BLACKTOWN 0 LEICHHARDT 2 (Van Blerk 1, A. Blue 30)
NEWCASTLE 1 (Ryan 89) A.I.S. 1 (Northam 31)

SCOREBOARD

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Fairy Meadow	17	12	3	2	23	9	27
Canterbury	17	10	4	3	35	17	24
Sutherland	17	9	5	3	31	13	23
Melita Eagles	17	9	4	4	31	16	22
Ku-ring-gai	16	7	5	4	22	16	19
Avala	17	6	6	5	20	16	18
Rockdale Ilinden	16	6	5	5	23	15	17
Manly Warringah	16	4	6	6	15	17	14
Warringah N'been	16	2	5	9	13	34	9
Uruguay Auburn	16	1	6	9	8	24	8
Polonia	16	3	2	11	17	42	8
Bankstown National	15	2	3	10	10	31	7

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W'gong Macedonia	16	12	4	0	35	8	28
Gladesville Hby	16	13	1	2	32	8	27
Blacktown United	16	9	2	5	37	19	19
Queens Park	15	9	2	4	34	17	19
Yugal	15	6	4	5	31	18	16
North Bankstown	16	6	4	6	21	14	16
Campbelltown City	14	6	2	6	30	20	14
Artarmon	14	4	5	5	19	19	13
Dee Why	16	3	5	8	11	30	11
Bathurst '75	14	2	6	6	20	25	10
Canterbury & Dist	16	2	2	12	13	51	6
Penrith United	16	0	3	13	11	65	3

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kingsford	16	9	7	0	35	16	25
Bondi Marine	15	8	6	1	45	16	22
Baulkham Hills	16	9	4	3	24	15	22
King Tomislav	16	8	4	4	25	19	20
North Ryde	16	9	1	6	29	19	19
Rooftop Hill	16	6	3	7	33	17	15
C'belltown Dist	16	4	5	7	21	24	13
Port Hacking	13	5	3	5	15	21	13
Moorebank L'pool	13	4	2	7	12	22	10
Uni of NSW	15	2	5	8	10	22	9
Granville District	15	2	5	8	16	32	9
Mt Druitt Town	15	1	4	10	12	41	5

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MCKENDRY BLASTS NSL RULERS OVER TOP FIVE GAMES

BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

SOUTH Melbourne coach Len McKendry fired some broadsides against NSL management, severely criticising a decision to stage a top five competition for the second year in succession.

McKendry complained about the decision of the management arguing that "the top five lottery is the weak side of the competition and a second shot at the title leaves accomplished sides such as South Melbourne at a great disadvantage."

Meantime, South Melbourne consolidated their position on top of the table with a convincing 4-1 win over Brisbane City, at Middle Park.

Mastering perfectly the drastic conditions, South Melbourne gained control of the game right from the outset and were in the lead after 12 minutes when Charlie Egan blasted in the net an accurate ball by Oscar Crino.

City came close to scoring in the 58th minute when Fabrizio unleashed a powerful shot from an angle and South Melbourne keeper Peter Laumets deflected the ball into his net... but incoming Steve Blair cleared

off the goal line with a spectacular back kick.

South secured the game in the 73rd minute when Oscar Crino hammered the ball in the net for the third time and three minutes later Doug Brown produced the fourth goal turning in the net a through ball by Charlie Egan.

Brisbane City stuck to their task until the last minutes of the game and they were rewarded with a consolation goal in the 87th minute when Pimblett converted a penalty.

Meantime, at Connor Reserve, West Adelaide coach Neil McGachey inspired his team to a 1-1 draw against Preston.

In a game riddled with controversy and argument the teams shared the points with two identical penalties awarded by referee Jim Fokianos.

Preston went in the lead after 14 minutes when Fokianos awarded the first penalty for an alleged handling of the ball.

West Adelaide equalised in the 68th minute when Fokianos penalised Preston's Tom Opanas for hands and Gary Price netted the equaliser from the penalty spot.

West Adelaide were reduced to 10 men in the 55th minute when Fokianos sent off Tim Brown after a scuffle on the park.

Brunswick Juventus and Melbourne Croatia shared the points over an uninspiring 1-1 draw, which wiped out Juventus' hopes for top spot in the Southern Division.

Juventus started the game favourites and went in the lead after nine minutes when Robert Cullen blasted in the net a through ball by team mate Paul Wade.

Melbourne Croatia were kept in the game in the opening half by some brilliant goalkeeping by young goalkeeper Mirko Runje and after the break they managed to level the score with

Jim Campbell.

At Schintler Reserve, Green Gully settled the relegation battle against Footscray within the first half hour of the game with two goals by top striker Paul Lewis.

Lewis struck in the fifth minute with the first goal and 20 minutes later drove the last nail in Footscray's coffin who are facing relegation by the end of the season.

Footscray never threatened their opponents throughout the game and enabled Green Gully to maintain the scoreline until the 24th minute when a shot by Zajdrako Kodzo was deflected in Gully's net by McLelland.

Relegation is a blemish on Footscray's half century long glorious history and is likely to cause a lot of upset and disappointment to numerous people who have worked over the years for the elevation of the team to the National League.

Mind you there was

"It went that-a-way!" But the wrong way for Sydney Croatia goalkeeper Steve Watson, beaten by Peter Raskopoulos's penalty kick yesterday.

OLYMPIC'S BEST OF THE SEASON

BY TOM ANDERSON.

AT 4.45 PM at St George Stadium, Sunday July 28,...this will go down as Sydney Olympic's finest hour in the 1985 season.

Even if they do happen to win the National Cup or the top five play-offs, they cannot hope to exceed the magnificent performance they displayed when they downed the title-chasing Sydney Croatia 3 - 1 yesterday.

It was magnificent stuff and it proved once and for all that if this Olympic team concentrate on playing football as a team, they will come second to no one.

Unfortunately for them they met Olympic at its peak and indeed were beaten by the better team on the day.

But Croatia can hold their heads up high,

they've had a magnificent season and one they can be proud of.

And although the Slickers are at unbackable odds to win the title, football's a funny game - even though it's not meant to be.

But the saddest thing of all is that the title will not be decided until August 18 - such a situation could only happen here.

Olympic got off to a great start when they took the lead through a penalty in the 15th minute by Peter Raskopoulos.

Croatia fought back and Zarko Odzakov equalised with a brilliant free kick from the edge of the penalty area in the 27th minute.

But their joy was short-lived and goals from Marshall Soper a minute later and whiz-kid Chris Kalantzis in the 32nd minute gave Olympic its magnificent win.

The match played in front of a well-behaved large attendance was a cracker and is what football in the NSL should be all about.

Both teams had an abundance of outstanding players who really turned on the style and every man on the field was a hero.

MAN OF THE MATCH; Although difficult to pick on a day when everybody played well Olympic's PETER RASKOPOULOS gets my vote. He led by example throughout and spurred his men on to the great heights they reached.

OLYMPIC; Meier; Rogers, Stankovic, Ziras, Jennings; Raskopoulos, Johnston, Ogun; Soper, Katholos, Kalantzis.

CROATIA; Watson; Tomasic, Rezzo, Rozic, Basic (Dragicevic 45); Savor, Clinch, Odzakov; Jurin, Arnold, Patikas.

REFEREE; Stuart Mellings.

CROWD; 8252.

DULL STUFF FOR FANS AT THE GABBIE

WITH Blacktown City a confirmed middle-of-the-table side and Apia Leichhardt likely to narrowly escape relegation, nobody should have expected a classic match when they met at The Gabbie yesterday.

In the event, the match finished 1-1, which was a fairly predictable outcome.

One gets the im-

pression that both teams will be happy to see the end of the season and, with only a few hundred spectators on hand, it appears their followers feel the same way.

It was a point lost for Blacktown but a point gained for Apia.

The Leichhardt side should now be able to banish relegation fears, being two points better off than the joint bottom teams Newcastle and Penrith.

Dodging relegation

may be an achievement although it is clear the Leichhardt fans will demand something far more productive in 1986.

BY JAMES DOUGLAS

Apia were in trouble yesterday immediately after half-time when two of their former players, Phil O'Connor and John Bradley, combined to put the Demons one up.

O'Connor centred and Bradley finished

off with a header.

It took Apia only seven minutes to equalise through Kerry Caban who took advantage of a throw-out by goalkeeper Gilbert Hoare to chip the ball back and into the net.

Caban has not been enjoying much success this season but he often created danger in Blacktown's defence yesterday.

Apia coach Fil Bottalico who claims his side has been playing

well for the past several weeks, is convinced it will avoid the big drop.

But Apia's final assignment is tough — with Sydney Croatia providing the opposition.

Blacktown boss Casey de Bruin admitted it was not easy motivating his players at this stage of a disappointing season but pointed out that it was up to them to keep producing at all times.



MARSHALL SOPER

KEEN WOLVES GET USEFUL POINT

WOLLONGONG's determination took it to a 1-1 draw at Bruce Stadium against an unimpressive Canberra City.

The Wolves ran at Canberra from the kick off and took all the plaudits in the first half, spoiling their work only with poor finishing.

Against the run of play, Canberra should have scored twice before the break, but Tom Sermanni missed the kick in the 33rd minute with the goal at his mercy, and Tom English shot wide from four metres just before the half-time whistle sounded.

Canberra also had the ball in the net in the 28th minute, from

a fine Jason Dunn header, but Terry Byrne was offside.

The second half

BY KEN HEALEY

was only eight minutes old when English made amends by finishing off some good lead-up by Dunn and Ian Gibson.

Canberra seemed to think that was the

ball game, but Wolves came back immediately and levelled the score 12 minutes later after three successive corners.

Alex Bundalo, latter sent off for dissent, fired in a screamer from the corner of the penalty box after Anthony Franken had punched the ball strongly.

Franken tipped Wollongong out with breathtaking reflex saves in the 70th, 71st and 73rd minutes.

In the end a draw was a fair result, thanks to Franken and Canberra's inability to convert simple chances in the first half.

Man of the match: ANTHONY FRANK-

EN, whose goalkeeping is probably the main reason that Canberra clings on to fifth spot.

CANBERRA: Franken, Mihalidis, Bryant, Burke, Jones, Byrne, Dunn, Sermanni, Gibson, English, Lamond.

WOLLONGONG: Vilekov, Green, Gaffney, Vliegstra, Willis, Dickson, Kotamanidis (Stevanovski 81), Bundalo (sent off 74), Marton, Goldzik, Brodnik.

REFEREE: Jim Reeves. CROWD: 947.

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KOSMINA GETS VITAL SYDNEY CITY GOAL

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

JOHN KOSMINA, Sydney City's Australian World Cup captain, probably scored the most vital goal of the season for his club when City defeated St George 1 - 0 at the St George Stadium.

Kosmina scored from the penalty spot after Saints left-back, Steve Green, had fouled flank-striker, Frank Farina in the 19th minute.

City's win enabled them to leapfrog League leaders, Sydney Croatia in the Olympic Airways Soccer League, who surprisingly crashed to a 3-1 loss yesterday against Sydney Olympic.

But the Saints bombed a wonderful chance to equalise in the 43rd minute when midfielder Vic Bozanic, with only the goalkeeper Tony Pezzano to beat, was wide with his final shot from close-range.

St George's midfield quartet of Pedro Rico, Peter Petkovski, John O'Shea and Vic Bozanic, lost all control of the centre.

But Sydney City's trio of Peter Falconer, Gerardo Gomez and Murray Barnes were in full control of proceedings.

Barnes especially, put in a magnificent power display of non-stop running and tackling.

The Saints looked very tame up front where Robbie Slater and Roy Cotton operated on their own and were constantly outnumbered by Sydney City defenders.

St George must get more men into the box if they want goals and not for their midfielders to sit back and just pump long through-balls and hope a striker gets a breakaway.

In the 73rd minute, Saints' coach Frank Arok took off Bozanic and brought on Mark Barton in the hope of adding punch to the attack from midfield.

Four minutes later, Slater almost equalised when his scream-

ing close-range shot picked up a deflection off a Sydney City defender to fly out for a corner.

With only nine minutes remaining, Kosmina belted a vicious drive from 28 metres that crashed on the St George cross-bar as Grant Lee raced in to smash the rebound just past the post.

Sydney City's free-back ALEX ROBERTSON was easily Man of the Match as he remained always cool under pressure and read all situations well.

Robertson was well supported by his fellow-defenders Jimmy Cant, Steve O'Connor and Jean Paul de Marigny.

St George's best performers were Robbie Slater who constantly tried to break a steel-like City defence on his own, whilst John O'Shea, as always got through a ton of pick-up work.

Eddie Thomson, Sydney City's coach, who had just arrived back from Tel Aviv from the Maccabi Games, stated: "I felt we were in full control and never looked threatened."

In the home dressing room, a disappointed Frank Arok lamented: "The penalty was a little harsh as the ball had run well away from Farina."

ST GEORGE: Greedy: Skeen, Koczka, Ratcliffe, Green: Rico, Petkovski, J.O'Shea, Bozanic (Barton 73rd); Slater, Cotton.

SYDNEY CITY: Pezzano: Cant, O'Connor, Robertson, De Marigny: Falconer, Gomez, Barnes: Lee, Kosmina, Farina.

Referee: G. Power.
Crowd 2,130.



MARK JANKOVICS

MARK FIRES AS MARCONI MAUL MOUNTAIN MEN!

MARK JANKOVICS yesterday created history as he grabbed a hat-trick to take his NSL goal tally for the Marconi club to the 100 mark during his side's 6-0 demolition of the sad and sorry Penrith Panthers.

Jankovics who has struck up a sensational partnership with youngsters David Lowe and Rod Brown said afterwards that it is just one milestone of many he wishes to reach this season.

"I think we can go on and win this title, in fact I believe we should be at the top of the table right now if it had not been for some unlucky results.

"We have a very young and enthusiastic side that I feel is equal to that great one of 1979. There is no weakness here.

"I want to finish on top, so as I am enjoying my game as much as ever, I am aiming for some big results, one being to finish top scorer this year and I think I can do that in the last round against Sydney Olympic," said Mark.

Rod Brown began the walkover as early as the 16th second of the match when he intercepted the Penrith kick-off and scooted round Peter Brogan to drill a shot along the ground past a despairing Michael Gibson.

Marconi in fact should have had four goals to their credit in the first six minutes but for Steve Calderan proving he was born to be a defender!

Five minutes before half-time, Peter Tredinnick swung over a corner that Michael Gibson fumbled and the ultimate goal-poacher in Mark Jankovics grabbed his first.

Jankovics got his second in similar fashion in the 56th minute in a fine move by the Marconi side inspired by the talented midfield of Tredinnick, Mason and Gray. Gray drove

powerfully and Gibson was only able to parry the ball away into the path of the evergreen Jankovics who made it 3-0.

Rod Brown then put together a masterful bit of football. Joe Rizzotto punted a ball up-field and Brown with a scintillating turn of speed outstripped Peter Brogan. He collected the ball after some 50 metres, cut inside and angled a perfect drive past Gibson's vain dive.

David Lowe scored from the penalty spot in the 67th minute following a handball by Mickey Cross.

Jankovics then completed his century with a brilliant twisting and forceful header from a corner in the 70th minute.

Les Scheinflug was happy with the way his team bounced back after their defeat last week. "They really responded well following last week's disappointment," he said. **MAN OF THE MATCH:** MARK JANKOVICS, three goals and a never-say-die effort up front.

MARCONI: McPherson (James 45), Sterrey, Rizzotto, Henderson, Calderan, Mason, Gray (Sharne 67), Lowe, Brown, Jankovics, Tredinnick.

PENRITH: Gibson, Brogan, Cross, Ainsworth, Campbell, Wotherspoon, Hunter (Shute 45), Toohey, Jones (Easthorpe 63), Jackson, Licata.

REFEREE: P. Ramaley
CROWD: 1188.

LIONS ROAR SILENCED UNTIL 1986

BY GEOFF STEAD

BRISBANE LIONS' slim semi-final hopes disappeared at Richlands yesterday - and the side has only itself to blame.

The Brisbane team, which stormed into the top five at this stage last season, had hoped to win its last three games and relied on other results to snatch a berth this year.

But some loose defending saw Lions concede two goals in the final six minutes and lose 2-1 to Heidelberg.

The season is now over for the ever-hopeful Lions, as far as honours are concerned.

Lions went into the game knowing a win, combined with a Brunswick victory over Croatia, would keep their hopes alive.

And the Brisbane side seemed on course in the 12th minute when captain John Stewart, again one of his side's best, headed in a Danny Wright cross that had been touched on at the near post by Richard Bassingthwaite.

But it was the many chances the side missed in the following 70 minutes that cost them the game.

And as they have done so many times in the past, the young Lions lost concentration at the death and Heidelberg nipped in to score two and steal the points.

Their first, six minutes from time came from the boot of Steve Tassios who made a speedy break down the right and blasted under Lions keeper Wayne Evans.

The winner was four minutes later when Lions were caught forward and Heidelberg broke. Steve Winn drew lone defender Alan Niven and squared to Peter Tsolakis, who made no mistake in what was his contribution to the game.

The loss was further soured by the booking of Russell Stewart, who despite the blemish, had another great game. But it will be his last for the season. He has now passed 12 points the second time around and will be suspended for two games.

Man of the match: Lions captain JOHN STEWART for a big hearted performance which deserved more than a loss.

LIONS: Evans, D. Hunter, A. Hunter, Vasquez, Niven, Jackson, R. Stewart, Ogden, J. Stewart, Bassingthwaite (Anderson 74), Wright.
HEIDELBERG: Olver, McKie (Valentine 78), Yankos, Angele, Katsakidis, Christopoulos, Tassios, Selemis, Stevenson (Metakas 71), Winn, Tsolakis.
REFEREE: Graham Warne.
CROWD: 1113.



ANOTHER REFEREE IN THE WARS!

GEORGE CROSS, bidding for a place in the Southern Division top five play-offs, scrambled to a 1-1 draw with Adelaide City at Olympic Sports Field - with only 10 men.

Their SA Maltese supporters ended the match jeering Sydney referee Richard Lorenc, and Victorian officials were also far from happy with his performance.

The blow-up came in the 69th minute with the score 0-0.

Cross goalkeeper Lou Kastner and defender Steve Richardson were retaining the ball in the penalty area in a gamesmanship tactic when Lorenc blew his whistle and awarded a free kick for time wasting.

City's Steve Maxwell stepped up, flicked the ball to Charlie Villani who buried it low into the net.

When the ball was taken back to the centre-circle there were words between Cross's Don McLaren and the referee and a yellow card was flashed, followed immediately by a red one and McLaren was off.

Cross's Chris Taylor was then booked for a foul on Maxwell, following Kastner receiving a yellow card as the goalkeeper had obviously not forgiven the referee for the

time-wasting free kick.

When the dust settled it was the Victorian side which appeared the more composed and despite their depleted team, launched an assault on the City goal.

They were rewarded with two minutes left when substitute Mark Lennon met a ball which dropped to his feet from home defender Alex Tobin's head.

Lennon rifled the ball into the net and there was one more precious point on the board.

City should have had the game sown up

in the first half but front runner, and socalled candidate, Villani missed three "sitters" with only Kastner to beat.

At the other end of the park home goalkeeper Steve McNally was beaten twice but saw full-back Ernie Luongo clear off the line from Richardson then Noel Mitten.

But the biggest sin was committed by last year's Player of The Year, Sergio Melta when he stepped up to take a penalty in the 55th minute and struck the ball wide.



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RED STAR — YUGOSLAVIA

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday	31st July	AUSTRALIA	OLYMPIC PARK MELBOURNE
		-v-	
	7.30PM	RED STAR BELGRADE	
Friday	2nd August	AUSTRALIA	ST GEORGE STAD. SYDNEY
		-v-	
	8.00PM	RED STAR BELGRADE	
		AUSTRALIA YOUTH	ST GEORGE STAD. SYDNEY
	6.00PM	-v- NEW SOUTH WALES	
Sunday	4th August	RED STAR	OLYMPIC PARK MELBOURNE
		-v-	
	3.00PM	AEK ATHENS	
		AUSTRALIA YOUTH -v-	
	1.00PM	VICTORIA	
Tuesday	6th August	NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES	WARNERS BAY STAD.
		-v-	
	7.30PM	RED STAR BELGRADE	
Wednesday	7th August	AUSTRALIA	HINDMARSH STAD. ADELAIDE
		-v-	
	8.00PM	AEK ATHENS	
Friday	9th August	AEK ATHENS -v-	ST GEORGE STAD.
	8.00PM	RED STAR BELGRADE	
	6.00PM	Semi Final Common. Bank Cup	SYDNEY
Sunday	11th August	AUSTRALIA	OLYMPIC PARK MELBOURNE
		-v-	
	3.00PM	AEK ATHENS	
Tuesday	13th August	SOUTH AUSTRALIA	HINDMARSH STAD. ADELAIDE
		-v-	
	8.00PM	RED STAR BELGRADE	

TICKET PRICES

OLYMPIC PARK, MELBOURNE

GRANDSTAND	\$15	NO CONCESSIONS
CONCOURSE	\$12	NO CONCESSIONS
OUTER	\$10	\$5 CHILDREN/PENSIONERS

TICKETS ON SALE ON GROUND

ST GEORGE STADIUM

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ZARKO ODZAKOV



STEVE O'CONNOR



MITAR MRKELA



PIAS NICOLAOS



WEDNESDAY JULY 31 TO SUNDAY AUGUST 11



A WORD FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

IT'S about time Australian soccer supporters got behind our international teams and gave them the following they deserve.

In Soccer Weekly two weeks back, Johny Warren made this plea and explained the draw-backs of not receiving adequate support from Australians.

In days gone by it went to such an extreme as visiting international sides being 'chaired' shoulder high by 'Australians'.

An example was in 1969 when Australia was eliminated from the World Cup by Israel in Sydney.

When Mexico comes around it will become obvious that Australians will be wishing for their team to be there and doing their country proud BUT there is one catch - they have to get there first! The only way they will is if YOU the PUBLIC get out to the matches and get a bit parochial.

Be assured...the Israelis will and even more so those eminent enemies of ours - New Zealand.

I will give you an insight as to what is going on in the 'Shaky Isles' at the moment.

For one thing those pesky Kiwis have made it quite clear that they believe they are a 50% better outfit than in '82 and that they don't think much about Australia's recent impressive performances, claiming that they have not had the correct preparation - what cheek!

The national fervour is as strong as ever in the land of our Tasman neighbours but we can put an impressive damper on it if we make certain of our support for the Socceroos.

AUSTRALIAN soccer is now looking quite good in the eyes of the soccer world and we shouldn't be surprised.

Apart from that unwanted hiccup at Pratten Park we are truly looking the goods at the moment.

What with our U/16's and the Youth side both making the finals of their respective tournaments in great style plus the way the Socceroos have disposed of foreign opposition - why shouldn't the big guns overseas be impressed?

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F.C.

ONCE again ASW has excelled itself...NO LESS THAN 28 PAGES THIS WEEK.

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CHIT CHAT

ANDREW LEDERER, team manager of Australia's national Soccer squad, is in two minds about returning to the game.

Lederer teamed up in a successful partnership with national coach **FRANK AROK** until a heart condition laid him low early this season.

"On the one hand, I am missing Soccer a lot because I love it," he said, "and I want to get back."

"But I also wonder if it would be wise to take on the worry and the work again."

"My one remaining ambition in sport is to go to Mexico next year with the Socceroos for the World Cup finals."

Lederer, however, will be guided by his doctor.

BE ASSURED if the Aussies knock off Red Star and AEK we will be considered real threats by the Israelis ... last time they laughed off our opposition to them ... only time will tell.

WHILST on the National League, Sydney Croatia have certainly taken it by storm this year.

The most impressive thing of their charge towards the title is that they have proved no flash in the pan...with class players like Zarko Odzakov, Vedran Rozic, Marijan Kovacic and the like how could they be?

TURNING TO over-seas... it was good to hear recently that FIFA relented with their harsh penalties on the British football sides by dropping the world-wide ban that they had set on them - interesting though would have been if they hadn't and New Zealand had gone ahead and invited British teams to their humble shores...they love being the rebels those Kiwis don't they.

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ADELAIDE CITY'S Scottish import, **COLIN McADAM**, has special gifts to deliver now he is back in Australia.

There is a Celtic picture for **BILLY WILKINSON** in Queensland and a Glasgow Rangers shirt for a Bondi man who visited the big defender every day when he was in hospital with a broken leg during Rangers' tour here for the World Soccer Series last year.



ST GEORGE'S YOUNG SOCCEROO star **PETER PETKOVSKI** is going to have a busy schedule when he jets off to Russia next month to do battle in the WYC.

Apart from playing and training with the Young Socceroos in the Coca-Cola Cup, Petkovski intends to use every minute of his spare time studying books for exams he will take on his return.

Whilst all his teammates will be enjoying the scenery and whatever else goes with being behind the iron curtain Peter being a full-time student at St George Tech will study in an attempt to become an architectural draughtsman.

Who knows? There may not be anything else to do in Russia!

THIS has not been a good season for Socceroo **FRANK FARINA** from whom big things were expected following his transfer from Canberra City to Sydney City.

Slickers caretaker-coach **TERRY SMITH** said: "Fariна's problem has been a bad run of injury problems."

Injured or not, Farina is Slickers leading goalscorer...not bad when you consider how many matches he had to miss.



FRANK FARINA

YOUNG SOCCEROO coach **JIM SHOUDER** has made sure his squad is not underdone by the time the World Youth Championships come around by arranging tough matches in Sydney and Melbourne.

The Young Socceroos will meet an under-23 NSW side at St. George Stadium on Wednesday and then the Victorian state team in Melbourne on August 4.

Also before actually reaching Russia, they will play four games against top Dutch opposition.

"The program has been arranged to bring the boys to their peak for the opening game of the WYC against Russia in Minsk on August 24," said Shoulder.



MEANWHILE, the Young Socceroos matches in the WYC will be televised live by SBS television.

Australia will play host nation Russia, Nigeria and Canada in their qualifying group.

The matches against the State sides will be curtain raisers to the second international soccer tournament featuring Red Star Belgrade, AEK Athens and the Socceroos.



THE top brass really turned out at the NSW Soccer Federation's Parklea headquarters on Saturday.

The occasion? The official opening of the Parklea complex.

Guest of honour was state Premier, Neville Wran, who performed the opening ceremony.

Parklea is one of the greatest things ever to happen in Australian soccer and nobody has done more to see it established than Federation Treasurer Charles Valentine.

Charles and his wife Joan have put in countless hours of effort over the past 10 years to see the Parklea dream come true.

TARGET MAN TREVOR MORGAN is in England and won't be available for St George if the club squeezes into the Olympic Airways National Soccer League northern division play-offs.

Saints' coach, **FRANK AROK**, is sorry to lose the big centre forward who he says has given confidence to his other strikers, especially **ROBBIE SLATER**.

Morgan, who has scored six goals for the club, is going back to Exeter.

"He wants to prove himself in English football," Arok said yesterday.



FRANK AROK

JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES, considerable backers of Canberra City in the National Soccer League, will award trips for two to the senior and youth player of the year to their world famous Hardie 1000 motor race at Bathurst over the long weekend in October.

The VIP trips will include accommodation, meals and entrance to all VIP areas for one of Australian sports' most prestigious events.

The winners will be announced at Canberra City Olympians Annual Ball and Presentation night to be held at the Hellenic Club, Canberra on Saturday September 7.



FORMER CANBERRA CITY coach **DOUG COLLINS** and family will move from the national capital shortly.

Doug is to go into a new business venture at Nowra on the South Coast where he is taking up a new McDonald's franchise!

SYDNEY's great soccer dream - having a stadium of its own - is taking far too long to come to fruition.

Just recently, for the umpteenth time, we were promised that the planned Sydney Sports Ground improvements would solve all such problems.

But don't hold your breath waiting for the action.

Local residents have decided they don't want any improvements to the ancient Sports Ground: let us hope they don't delay the work as seriously as people in Parramatta delayed work on the Parramatta Park project.

STEVE ATSALAS is the latest West Adelaide casualty.

The classy midfielder is out for the season after a knee operation, and may need a complete reconstruction job if he hopes to play next year.

Striker GEORGE KONSTANTOPOULOS had his left heel operated on last week with no complications.



ADELAIDE CITY has signed a new striker **GRAHAM McMILLAN**, former Youth team player who moved back to Scotland to play for Motherwell reserves and train with Rangers.

The 19 year old front runner has been waiting to play again in Australia for the last five months while he wrangled with State League club Azzurri for his clearance.

An appeal to the SA Federation Board got his fee reduced from \$3000 to \$500 — and he paid it out himself.



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THE KODAK KIDS — AUSTRALIA



FIFA Under 16 World Tournament for the KODAK Cup China 1985



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THE KODAK KIDS WILL DEVELOPE

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

AUSTRALIA's crack Under 16s squad, flew out last Thursday morning. Destination China, ... Mission ... to win the first Under 16s World Cup, the Kodak Cup.

Vic Dalglish, Australia's coach, together with his assistant coach, former Rothmans Medal Winner and top player for Pan Hellenic Bruce Stowell, currently the Director of Coaching in Queensland, have a monumental task ahead of them for the

next two weeks.

Australia's challenge for the Cup was only made possible by the wonderful and most valuable sponsorship signed across by Kodak (Australasia) Pty Ltd.

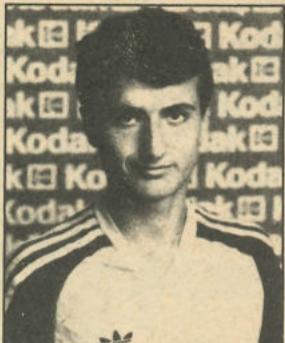
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Director and Chief Executive Officer of Kodak (Australasia) Pty Ltd, told the press at a special function held in Sydney prior to the Australian team's departure for China:

"Corporate sponsorship today is an important factor in the promotion and future

development of Australian sport, and Kodak is fortunate in this instance to be working with the Australian Soccer Federation."

Australia will clash in the first round of the Cup with Argentina, Congo and West Germany.



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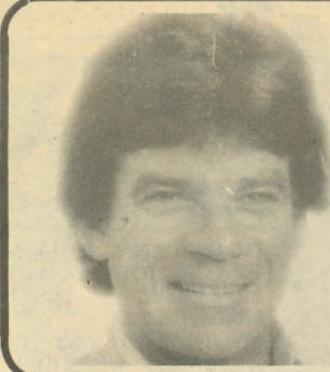


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**CHRISTOPOULOS
BACKS ROOS**

From front page

CHRISTOPOULOS rates 24 year old defender Stylianos Manolas, who has won ten international caps, as another key player.



□ GEORGE CHRISTOPOULOS (centre) wins this aerial battle.

**WOONONA
GUNNED
DOWN**

Last year's Commonwealth Bank Cup regional winners Woonona have been eliminated from the soccer competition by Corrimbal in a penalty shootout at Memorial Park.

With the scores locked at nil-all after extra time, the game was decided on penalties and eight players took part in the contest before the final result was known.

Despite the heavy conditions, the game produced vintage cup style soccer as both teams tackled with great determination in a game played at a furious pace.

Woonona suffered a telling blow when talented defender Stephen Badger went off injured, but soon after Corrimbal's South Coast representative Richard Van der Veerdonk had to be replaced when the condition of the ground and the pace of the game took their toll.

The game went into extra time and the battle for midfield control went on with excellent contests between Corrimbal's Craig Warburton and Luis Belisito and Woonona's Robbie Bemi and Shane Hawken.

Corrimbal will meet Kanahooka in the third round. Kanahooka emerged as potential threats in this year's competition when they defeated the strong Lake Illawarra side 3-0.

Newcomers Bulli were surprisingly eliminated by the competition's dark-horse Warrawong 2-1. Warrawong have a lot of talent in their line-up and will give Oak Flats a tough game. Oak Flats downed Dapto 4-2.

Other second round results were Bowral 1; Crookwell 1; Karabah 1; Queanbeyan 2 (penalties Bomaderry 5, Ulladulla 0).

— DEAN SIMPSON

TOP TALENT

BY ALAN VEST

THE National U/16 squad will be well and truly settled into their Chinese headquarters and everyone will be waiting anxiously for the first result.

On their return all the boys who have been to China will not only be back with their club sides. They will join their state squads in training for the National U/16 championships and talent identification week which is this year held in Melbourne 2nd — 6th September.

Victoria seem to have a head start with no less than eight players in the national squad, but after the state trials in NSW, I am sure the NSW team will prove to be a formidable opponent. The trials have once again proved that we have many talented young players in Australia and the final selections were very close in many positions.

I will be coaching the team with Brian Williamson assisting me and Eric Arneil as

manager. The squad is.

Two to be selected from three (George Bouhouas Canterbury/Marrickville, Paul Hayward Blacktown City, Brett Hughes Kur-ring-gai Assoc.) David Barrett Avala, Peter Bennett Nepean, Sean Scott Sydney City, Brett Budwee Nepean, Peter Boyle Blacktown City, David Scott Blacktown City, Michael Ryan Sydney City, Klaus Okon Marconi, Russell Gondle Blacktown City, Dean Radici Leichhardt, Bill Piatiskas Sydney Olympic, George Nouis Sydney Olympic, David Aranyi St George, Chris Ackley Nepean.

With Standby Players: Wayne Lowe Illawarra, Trevor Daley Nepean, Kevin Vella Marconi, Dean Meek Sydney City.

**YOUTH
LEAGUE**

GROUP A

	U13	U14	U15	U16
St George	1-0	3-0	6-2	0-3
Cant-Marr'ville Illa.	2-1	3-1	0-1	1-0
Sydney Olympic				
Blacktown City	2-1	1-0	2-0	1-0
Nepean Granville	2-1	4-1	2-0	4-2
S'land Marconi	0-8	2-3	1-1	0-1

GROUP B

Baulkham Hills	2-0	3-1	0-1	1-7
Central Coast	1-0	2-0	0-2	1-1
Croatia Manly				
Sth District	4-1	1-3	1-2	1-0
North Bankstown	1-1	3-1	2-1	3-1
G'ville Kur-ring-gai	1-2	0-2	1-2	2-1
Avala Melita				

GROUP C

Macarthur	0-2	1-1	2-1	2-1
Blacktown				
Canterbury	1-1	0-2	2-5	2-1
Campbelltown	5-0	0-2	2-0	4-1
B'stwn Yugal				
Sydney City	6-0	2-0	5-0	3-0
Bathurst '75				

SEMI FINALS

PLAYED 3rd AUGUST

UNDER 13

Marconi v Sth District crest 2, Blacktown City v Melita crest 1, Sydney Olympic v Sydney City crest 4, Illawarra v Macarthur crest 5, Baulkham Hills v Blacktown crest 6, Gladesville v Bankstown ground Melita.

UNDER 14

Sydney Olympic v Melita crest 1, Apia Leichhardt v North Bankstown at Melita, St George v Rockdale crest 5, Marconi v Sydney City crest 2, Baulkham Hills v Macarthur crest 6, Central Coast v Sydney Yugal crest 4.

UNDER 15

Illawarra v Melita crest 1, Sydney Olympic v Gladesville crest 4, St George v Sydney City crest 5, Apia Leichhardt v Blacktown at Melita, Nth Bankstown v Macarthur crest 6.

UNDER 16

Apia Leichhardt v Manly at Meltia, Nepean v Avala crest 5, Marconi v Sydney City crest 2, Sydney Olympic v Rockdale crest 4, Southern District v Canterbury crest 1, Gladesville v Bathurst crest 6.

Under 13 kick 10.30am

Under 14 kick off 12noon

Under 15 kick off 1.30pm

Under 16 kick off 3pm

**STEVENS
NOT FIT**

season on August 17.

Stevens is progressing well but time is not on his side.

Another Spurs casualty, high-priced centre-forward Clive Allen, has a much better chance of conquering injury.

Allen has been training well and is keen to be in the club's first match line-up.

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PAUL HART, the 32 year-old Nottingham Forest defender, has been given a free transfer.

Hart toured Australia with Forest and Socceroo coach Frank Arok was ungracious enough to say: "My grandmother is faster than him."

The remark was made in fun — even Hart laughed when told about it.



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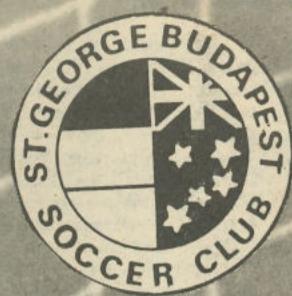
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STAR PROFILE

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

TERRY
GREEDY

BORN AND BIRTH-
PLACE: 27.8.55, Lis-
more, NSW.

HEIGHT: 6'2".

MARRIED: Yes to
Rosemary with chil-
dren Michelle 4 and
Mark 2½.

OCCUPATION:
School-teacher at Mil-
perra Primary.

PLAYING POSITION:
Goalkeeper, but have
played as a sweeper in
Junior Soccer.

CLUBS PLAYED FOR:

Eastwood United,
Bankstown, Melita
and St George.

FAVOURITE PLAY-
ERS: Joe Watson, Jeff
Olver, Anthony Frank-
en, Rod Brown, Peter
Shilton and Bryan
Robson.

FAVOURITE CLUBS:
St George, Manches-
ter United, West Ham.

CAR: Sigma Waggon

2.6. BIGGEST DIS-
APPOINTMENT IN
SOCCER: "Having to
play every week be-
hind David Ratcliffe
and Michael O'Shea
with St George."

BIGGEST INFLU-
ENCE ON CAREER:
Atti Abonyi, Australia's
former World Cup
striker.

FAVOURITE OTHER
SPORTS OR HOB-
BIES: Surfing, Bad-
minton and Table-
tennis.

FAVOURITE FILM
STARS: Kathryn Turner
and Jack Nicholson.

LONG TERM AMBI-
TIONS: To be
successful in whatever
I do and be generally
happy in my life.

SUPERSTITIONS: I
won't ever wear a
Green-coloured shirt
when playing. I did
once and my team got
hammered 5-1. Never
again.

FAVOURITE MUSIC:
Little River Band, Dire
Straits and Fireball.

MAJOR INJURIES:
Back injury. I once
fractured a vertebrae.

BEST TEAM IN RE-
CENT INTERNATIO-
NAL SERIES: Aus-
tralia.

BEST PLAYER FOR
AUSTRALIA IN
SERIES: John Kosmi-
na and Oscar Crino.

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TO WORRY AUSTRALIA
QUALIFYING
FOR 1986 WORLD
CUP: All of them. If
you start saying the
opposite for any of
the teams, you be-
come complacent and
we won't make
Mexico.

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game step by step and
make absolutely sure
of getting there.

It won't be easy but
we can do it as we
have the ability.



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SOCCKEROO OPPONENTS



A.E.K.

Constantinople's Athletic Union was founded by Greek refugees coming to the Continental Greece after the Asia Minor disaster in 1924. AEK has its headquarters in Athens and her stadium is in Nea Philadephia, a pretty suburb 10km from Central Athens, a separate municipality of 35,000 people.

The stadium of AEK is the fifth largest in Greece, holding 35,000 people. It is one of the best football stadiums and is illuminated by 128 lights.

ACHIEVEMENTS

CHAMPION OF GREECE: 8 times
1932, 39, 40, 63, 68, 71, 78, 79.

CUP HOLDER OF GREECE: 8 times
1932, 39, 49, 50, 56, 66, 78, 83.

DOUBLE: 3 times
1932, 39, 78.

FINALIST OF THE CUP OF GREECE: 3 times
1948, 53, 79.

UEFA CUP, Semi-finalists
1976, 77.

YUGOSLAV CHAMPION: 15 times
1951, 1952-53, 1955-56, 1956-57, 1958-59, 1959-60, 1963-64, 1967-68, 1968-69, 1969-70, 1972-73, 1976-77, 1979-80, 1980-81, 1983-84.

WINNER OF YUGOSLAV CUP: 11 times
1948, 1949, 1950, 1958, 1959, 1963-64, 1967-68, 1969-70, 1971-72, 1981-82, 1984-85.

YUGOSLAV SUPER-CHAMPION: Twice
1969, 1971.

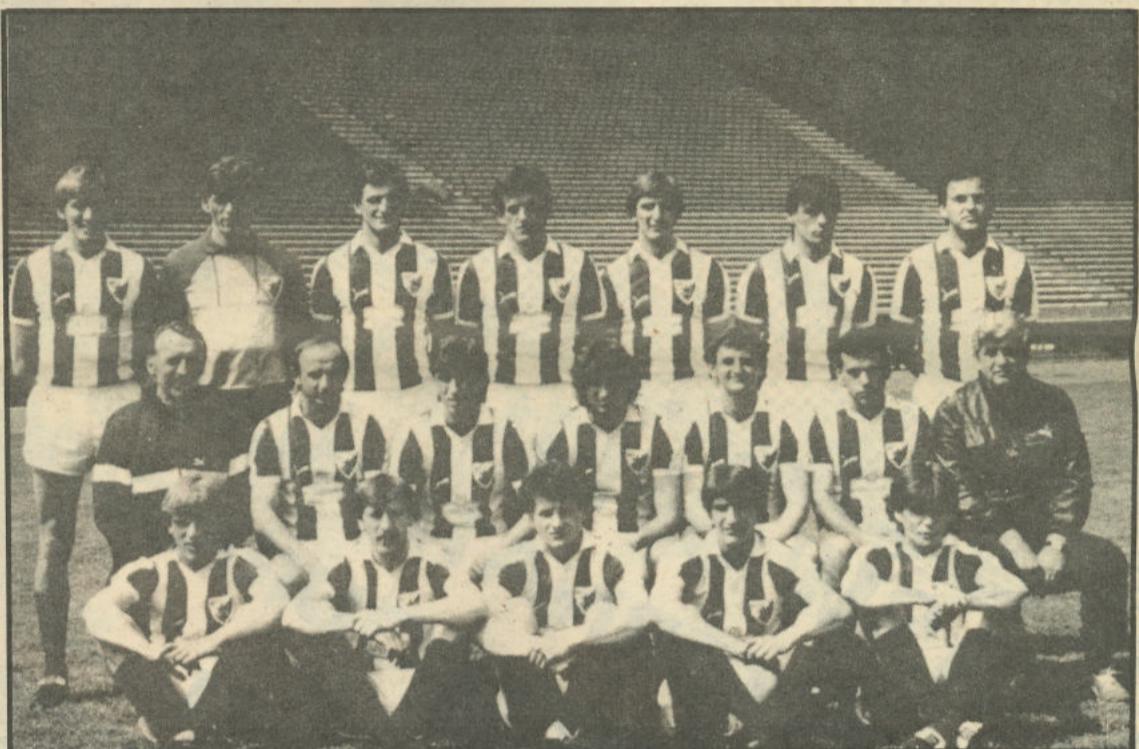
WINNER OF THE YUGOSLAV CHAMPIONS' LEAGUE: Twice
1971, 1973.

WINNER OF THE YUGOSLAV FIRST DIVISION:
1972-73.

WINNER OF THE DANUBE CUP:
1958.

WINNER OF THE MITROPA CUP:
1968.

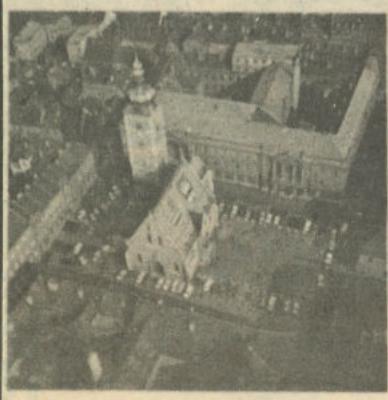
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Belgrade 1948, Santiago 1962, Paris 1962, Trofeo Iberico 1971, Trofeo Teresa Herera 1971, Trofeo Costa Del Sol 1973, Trofeo Naranja 1973, Belgrade 1980, Belgrade 1981, YU-trofeo 1984.



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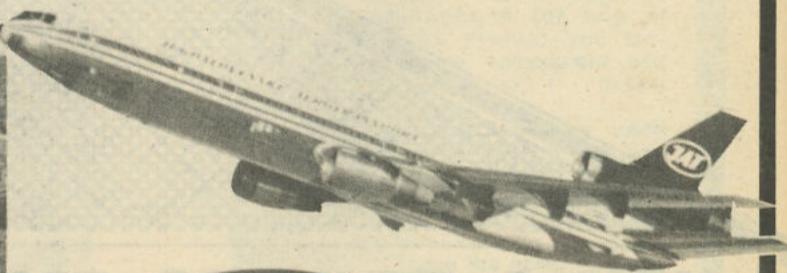
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AUSSIE SOCCER COMES OF AGE

IF ever Australian soccer could be said to have come of age in recent years it was at the recent international tournament.

To have arrived at victory in the face of opposition of the calibre of Italy's Udinese, England's Tottenham Hotspur and Brazilian aces Vasco da Gama was a marvellous exercise for this unmatchable team sport.

Led by the fortitude and football brain of John Kosmina and the news of national coach Frank Arok, the Socceroos covered themselves with glory.

In fact one Kosmina goal in particular deserved to be beamed into every nook and cranny of the great soccer continents across the earth.

It recalls the brilliance of the Australian team under the coach Jim Shoulder when they stood up to highly competitive teams Arsenal, Celtic and Red Star in another remarkable and well attended series in this country.

Ejected

Shoulder's Socceroos sadly missed out on going through to the World Cup finals, but let us not forget some of the high points they reached.

The modern era Socceroos were born in the cauldron of Asian football back in 1965 under coach Tiko Jelisavac and team captain Les Scheinflug.

These were the days of the great John Watkiss, Archie Blue, Pat Hughes, Roy Blitz, Stan Ackerley, Billy Rorke and John Roberts and the rest.

The Australians

were ejected from the series but the experienced gained laid a worthwhile foundation for the future.

That much loved character Joe Vlasits, under circumstances that are difficult to believe, almost had Australia through to the World Cup finals with a magnificent campaign in 1969.

Ray Baartz, Billy Vojtek, Atti Abonyi, George Keith, Johnny Warren, Alan Marrock and Ron Corry were amongst a truly great party of players.

Degree

After a Gulliver's travel type tour of Africa and the Middle East, Australia faced Israel in the crunch game at the Sydney Sports Ground before a capacity crowd.

A Spieglar goal brought a draw and that was all Israel needed to go to the 1970 World Cup finals.

Under the enigmatic Rale Rasic Australia scaled the heights to compete in the 1974 World Cup finals in West Germany.

Memories of their sterling performances against West Germany, East Germany and Chile come flooding back.

No doubt today the 1978 coach Jim Shoulder still tells his players to go out and enjoy themselves. But Jim has certainly increased his disciplinary hold to a big degree over the years that followed.

He had some capable players but they did not finish strongly



LES SCHEINFLUG



JOE VLASITS

and Iran, South Korea and Kuwait ended up ahead of Australia.

Kosmina was now on the scene.

Rudi Gutendorf was categorised as a controversial character when he gained the appointment to handle the 1982 side.

His record was well known, but somehow he equivocated when firmness was needed and Australia could not cope with our trans Tasman neighbours New Zealand.

Era

The four yearly sequence continues. Merlion Cup success under the reliable Les Scheinflug merged into the Frank Arok era.

Arok wanted results from the 1984 tour to China and Europe, but more than that he craved for experience in varied conditions against European opposition.

The coming international World Cup games deserve widespread support for the Socceroos from the Australian sporting public.

Arok has a squad of

great potential and which reflects the increased skill and indeed the increased Australianisation of the national team.

Having come through Australian soccer from the days of J.B. (Digger) Evans, Jimmy McNabb, Reg Date, Alf Tuill, George Smith, Ray (Tugger) Bryant to the era of Joe Marston, Kevin O'Neill and so many others, it is possible to comment with accuracy on the openings that are available today compared with those of other years.

FIFA vice president Harry Cavan of Northern Ireland claims much of the credit in influencing Australian Soccer Federation president Sir Arthur George to follow the course of youth development.

Sir Arthur certainly got the message. Soccer historians will no doubt record this as his master stroke along with his expert touch in financial affairs.

What the annals will not reveal is how much the late Joe Vlasits did in backing

Gutendorf in the Young Socceroos Youth development programme.

The players who ended up missing for the 1979 World Youth Tournament at the play-offs in Paraguay included such fine exponents as Eddie Krnecic (now in Belgium), Graham Jennings, George Christopoulos, Alan Davidson and Peter Tredinnick.

Covered

Australia owes a great debt to Les Scheinflug, who coached the 1981 and 1983 teams before Jimmy Shoulder took over.

Emerging from the 1981 squad were David Mitchell, Oscar Crino, Steve Blair, Peter Raskopoulos and Robbie Wheatley.

The 1981 series was held in Australia amidst scenes of great

enthusiasm. West Germany finally won the Cup but the Young Socceroos covered themselves in glory.

Australia's feats in 1983 in Mexico are of fresh memory, beginning with that remarkable 1-1 draw with Mexico before 110,000 fans.

What a crop of Australian starlets this brought to the fore.

Where indeed would Australian soccer be today without Tony Franken, Jim Patikas, David Lowe, Tom McCulloch, Fabio Incantolupo and the other members of the group.

But young Australians in their huge numbers in the World's No 1 football code have even much more to aspire to than that.

It appears certain that the International Olympic movement will put into place a new scheme which

will suit Australia down to the ground.

The Olympic games football tournament will be restricted to under 23 players, which will fill the gap between the under 20 Youth Tournament and the World Cup.

Surprise

Reverting to the Young Socceroos, only this year Australia kept ahead of New Zealand and the skilful Israelis to book their tickets to the FIFA-Coca Cola World Youth Cup finals in Russia.

Chris Kalantzis, Alex Bundalo, Rob Hooker and the rest of the group have the capability to shine in the series.

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RAY BAARTZ ... In his playing days for Hakoah. He was one of Australia's great forwards.

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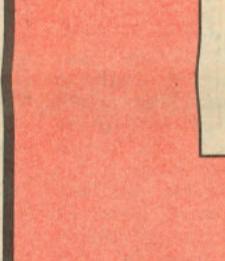
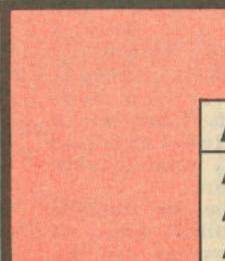
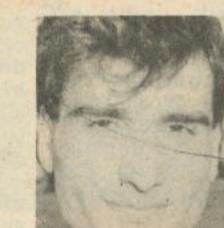
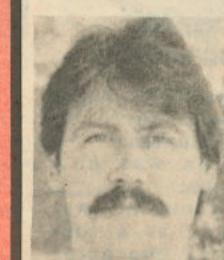
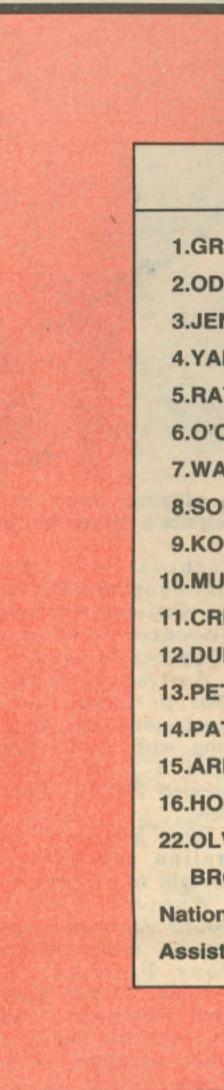


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OLYMPICS - GREAT BOOST

BY KEITH GILMOUR

THE addition of the U23 Olympics will be a great benefit. It would not surprise if Frank Arok's assistant Eddie Thomson took over this squad.

But the catalogue of Australian players' possibilities does not end there.

After winning the Oceania under 15 tournament in Auckland, Australia qualified for the first FIFA Kodak Cup for U16 national teams.

Under Vic Dalgleish they will face up to difficult opposition in West Germany, Argentina and the Congo in China.

Along with the opportunities there are countless other avenues for progress in soccer.

Having seen recent NSW Combined High School tournaments for both schoolboys and schoolgirls over recent weeks, I can say the quality of players coming through is healthy.

The Youth Leagues funnel players to high standing and today we are seeing genuine and necessary progress in the ranks of the GPS, Associated, non-aligned and Catholic schools systems.

On the international front the strong women's soccer movement is distinguishing itself.

Playing against world class opposition the Australian women's national team proved itself in a top international tournament in China and also in the World Women's tournament in Taiwan in late 1984.

There is no doubt that national team women such as Renaye Iserief, Sue Montheath, Julie Dolan, Kim



DAVID MITCHELL ... out of this series.

Lembryk and many others will become household names in soccer circles over the next two years.

Australia too has benefited from the institution of the National Soccer League, now named for Olympic Airways, following Philips Industries' earlier initiatives.

The 1977/78 opening gambit, with one national competition, produced crowds of 15,000 and more in Melbourne and Newcastle.

Those have been some rocky patches, but the North and South Divisions are highly important competitions, bringing together the cream of Australia's talent.

Unfortunately the Commonwealth cannot produce full time professional football.

That has sent players such as David Mitchell, Alan Davidson, Rene Colusso and Eddie Krncevic overseas in a quest for glory.

Craig Johnston reckons he was not the best in his school group in Newcastle. His grit and determination saw him reach the heights with warmed-famed Liverpool with a string of Football League and European Cup medals.

Both Johnston and Krncevic are committed to ultimately return to Australia to assist young players to progress.

Krnecvic expressed his gratitude to Ron Smith, now at the Australian Institute of Sport, for his ability to teach him how to bend his crosses when he



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this great nation, to Australia's Socceroos.

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Its considerable support of soccer in NSW takes the form of

sponsorship of the statewide knockout competition for NSW Combined High Schools and as such is the largest competition of its kind in the southern hemisphere.

The Commonwealth Bank's support takes the form of subsidising the considerable travel as well as coaching support schemes across NSW.

Many of Australia's finest players have passed through the Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup including Liverpool's Craig Johnston who played for the Booragal School in the Newcastle area.

This year is the 24th Cup which will see one semi final played as the curtain raiser to the AEK v Red Star match at St George Stadium on Friday, August 9.

The final will be played prior to the Preston v Sydney Olympic National Cup Final again at St George Stadium on Friday, August 16.

The Epping-Normanhurst semi-final will be played at Marconi Stadium this Thursday evening, August 1.

Preston, also at the St George Stadium.

Past winners of the prestigious Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup have been:

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1967 Booragal
1968 Newcastle Tech
1969 Booragal
1970 Berkely
1971 Meadowbank
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1973 Newcastle Tech
1974 Wallsend
1975 Wallsend and Booragal (shared)
1976 Bankstown
1977 Canterbury
1978 Normanhurst
1979 Normanhurst
1980 Woonona
1981 Keira
1982 Marsden
1983 Kogarah
1984 Epping

EPPING?

LAST year's winner Epping meets 1978-1979 winner Normanhurst, while Kogarah (1983 winners) plays fellow St George High School James Cook in the semi finals.

The Kogarah — James Cook semi-final will be played as the curtain raiser to the AEK — Red Star game at St George Stadium.

Sydney High Schools have dominated the Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup in recent years.

Marsden (1982), Kogarah (1983) and Epping (1984) have won the last three Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cups.

And the 1985 winner will also be from Syd-

ney as four Sydney High Schools are through to the semi-finals on Friday, August 9.

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ABOVE: Action from the Riverstone and Epping quarter final.
BELOW: Riverstone's Mark Chidel on the move.



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AUSTRALIAN SOCCER'S SCHEDULE

July 31-August 11
July 31
August 2
August 4

WORLD CUP — Under 16 CHINA PEOPLES REPUBLIC

AUSTRALIA v ARGENTINA — Tianjin

AUSTRALIA v CONGO — Tianjin

AUSTRALIA v GERMAN FR — Tianjin

Should Australia finish in first two of this group it will qualify for the quarter finals. Semis and final to be played in Shanghai and Beijing.

July 31-August 11 \$120,000 INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT
July 31 (Wed) SOCCEROOS v RED STAR — Olympic Park, Melbourne 7.30pm
August 2 (Friday) SOCCEROOS v RED STAR — St George Stadium 8pm
August 4 (Sunday) AEK v RED STAR — Olympic Park, Melbourne 3pm
August 7 (Wed) SOCCEROOS v AEK — Hindmarsh Stadium, 8pm
August 9 (Friday) AEK v RED STAR — St George Stadium 8pm
August 11 (Sunday) SOCCEROOS v AEK — Olympic Park, Melbourne 3pm

August 24-Sept. 7 WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP — SOVIET UNION
August 24 (Saturday) AUSTRALIA v SOVIET UNION — Dinamo Minsk Stadium, Minsk
(World Youth Championship opening match)
August 27 (Tuesday) AUSTRALIA v CANADA — Dinamo Minsk Stadium, Minsk
August 29 (Thursday) AUSTRALIA v NIGERIA — Tractor Minsk Stadium, Minsk
Should Australia finish in the top two places in this group it will qualify for the quarter finals (played Sunday, September 1) the semis (Wednesday, September 4) with the final on Saturday, September 7.

WORLD CUP ELIMINATION MATCHES & ANNUAL AMPOL CUP

Saturday, Sept. 21 NEW ZEALAND — Auckland
Tuesday, Sept. 24 SOCCEROOS v CHINA PR — Friendly International, Newcastle
Friday, Sept. 27 SOCCEROOS v CHINA PR — Friendly International, Canberra
Sunday, Sept. 29 SOCCEROOS v CHINA PR for THE AMPOL CUP — Brisbane
Tuesday, Oct. 8 ISRAEL — Tel Aviv
Sunday, Oct. 20 ISRAEL — Melbourne
Wednesday, Oct. 23 CHINESE TAIPEI — Adelaide
Sunday, Oct. 27 CHINESE TAIPEI — Hobart
Sunday, Nov. 3 NEW ZEALAND — Sydney
Sunday, Nov. 10 NEW ZEALAND v ISRAEL (Auckland)
Should the Socceroos win the Oceania group the dates for the World Cup deciding matches against either Spain, Wales or Scotland will be:

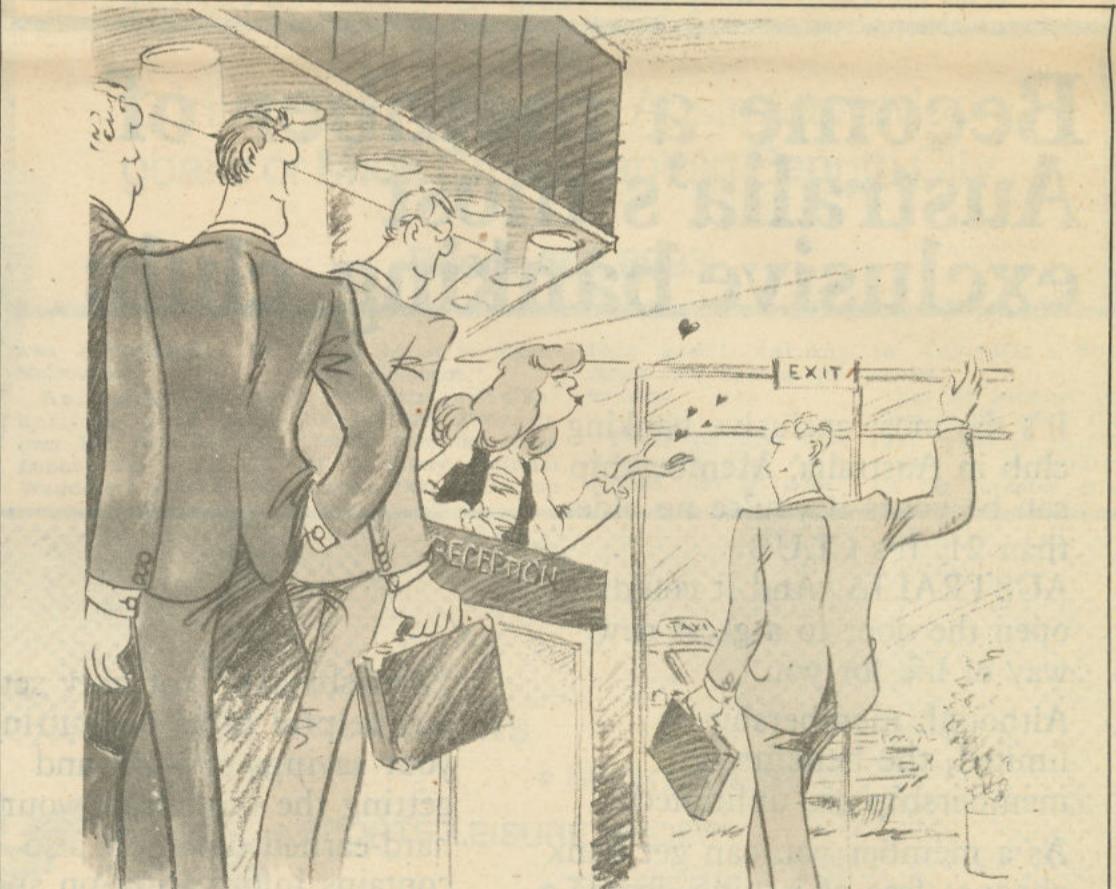
Wednesday, Nov. 20 Oceania Winner v European opponent in Europe
Wednesday, Dec. 4 Oceania Winner v European opponent at home

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1982 v Thailand (Merlion Cup) 5-0
1982 v Indonesia (Merlion Cup) 2-0
1982 v Malaysia (Merlion Cup) 5-0
1982 v South Korea (Merlion Cup) 3-2
1983 v New Zealand, Auckland 1-2
1983 v New Zealand, Melbourne 0-2
1983 v England, Sydney 0-0
1983 v England, Brisbane 0-1
1983 v England, Melbourne 1-1
1983 v China (Merlion Cup) 1-2
1983 v Thailand (Merlion Cup) 2-0
1983 v South Korea (Merlion Cup) 3-1
1983 v Singapore (Merlion Cup) 4-2
1984 v Manchester United, Sydney 0-0
1984 v Notts Forest, Adelaide 1-1
1984 v Glasgow Rangers, Sydney 3-2
1984 v Notts Forest, Brisbane 2-2
1984 v Juventus, Melbourne 1-1
1984 v Juventus, Adelaide 2-4
1984 v Juventus, Sydney 2-0
1984 v Iraklis, Sydney 2-0
1984 v Iraklis, Adelaide 1-3
1984 v China, Beijing 2-3
1984 v Shanghai, Shanghai 2-0
1984 v Canton, Canton 2-1
1984 v Beijing, Beijing 3-2
1984 v Manchester City, Manchester 3-1
1984 v Nottm Forest, Nottingham 0-0
1984 v Glasgow Rangers, Glasgow 1-2
1984 v PSV Eindhoven, Eindhoven 0-2
1984 v Aston Villa, Birmingham 0-2
1984 v Arsenal, London 2-3
1984 v Udinese, Udine 0-2
1984 v Tottenham Hotspur, London 1-2
1985 v Tottenham Hotspur, Melbourne 1-0
1985 v Vasco da Gama, Sydney 0-1
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Over the past few years, Young Socceroo boss Jim Shoulder has travelled extensively through Europe with his AIS outfit and is now an old hand in the international arena.

Jim was thrown into the deep end at the beginning of his national coaching career when he was the senior Socceroo boss in the first big international series held here in 1977 followed by the 1978 World Cup qualifying games.

Indeed the Young Socceroos are in very capable hands and the shrewd Jim will let nothing slip past him.

His assistant Ron Tindall is also a very experienced campaigner and a good man to have at your elbow.

I'm looking forward to meeting an old mate of mine when I travel to Russia with the Young Socceroos to cover the series.

He's Dave Sexton, who will be in charge of the English team.

When I played with Watford in the mid 1950's, Dave was in his prime as a player with Leyton Orient.

We attended the same FA coaching course at Baker Street in London under the direction of Walter Winterbottom and Ron Greenwood.

Since then Dave has gone on to the top of the coaching tree as club boss.

In a distinguished career he has managed Chelsea, QPR, Manchester United and Coventry.

He won the FA Cup and European Cup Winners Cup with Chelsea where he built a great side.

One of the first moves made by present England team



DAVE SEXTON

boss Bobby Robson was to appoint Sexton as his full-time assistant.

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QUEENSLAND VIEW



HUNTER . . . HUNTED

QUEENSLAND and Brisbane Lions stopper Alan Hunter almost certainly will be on the move at the end of this season.

Hunter, 19, already has been linked with a possible move to Melbourne but threw a new twist into transfer speculation when he revealed he also was considering a move to the United States.

Hunter, writing in his weekly column in the QSF magazine, GO SOCCER, said he was seriously considering trying to get a contract with an American Indoor team.

His sister Debbie recently married and will move to San Diego, the home of US Indoor champions, San Diego Sockers.

"Debbie's husband has been sending me a lot of information about the Sockers and the whole American Indoor scene looks in-

teresting," Hunter said.

As the American Indoor season clashes with the Australian outdoor season, Hunter will have to choose between the States or another year in the NSL.

If he stays in Australia he believes, for his own good, he must play in one of the Southern capitals.

The strong left footer is highly rated in Melbourne and was pursued doggedly by Heidelberg at the start of this season.

He is expected to be chased again and says, unlike last year when he was a little reluctant to move, he now believes on and off the field he has matured enough to venture away.

"I wouldn't go to any of the smaller Victorian clubs because the table shows Lions are just as good as them. If I play in Melbourne next year I would like it to be with a club like Brunswick or South Melbourne," Hunter said.

Although Lions put a \$30,000 transfer on the youngster's head last year, club president John Morcus said the club would not stand in Hunter's way this time.

"We have a replacement now in Alan's younger brother David and we understand for his own career Alan must try playing in Melbourne. If he doesn't like it, he will always be welcome back at Lions," Morcus said.

And at least one other Federation Club could go with them.

Booval, founded in 1902, are presently playing in the amateur Third Division but lack of support and ever-increasing overheads have taken their toll.

The club is largely run by players, and

after a horror season they have had enough.

The club has lost all its fixtures this year and is set to reach double figures in the goals for column while the goals against is rapidly approaching the ton.

Booval's announcement of its pending

CHANGES
NEAR

ALTHOUGH Brisbane City are destined to finish in the lower half of the table for the fourth consecutive season, things could change next year for the club.

In recent seasons nearly every spare cent at the club has gone towards ground improvements and paying off their million dollar grandstand, probably the best soccer facility in Australia.



JIM HERMISTON

The hard work and belt-tightening is close to paying off as City officials have revealed the club is now only four payments from wiping the debt on the complex.

The million dollar stand, which boasts 18 private boxes all fully sold and a huge media box — nearly sent the club to the wall.

GOING — GONE

QUEENSLAND's oldest soccer club, Booval Stars, will fold at the end of the season.

And at least one other Federation Club could go with them.

Booval, founded in 1902, are presently playing in the amateur Third Division but lack of support and ever-increasing overheads have taken their toll.

The club has lost all its fixtures this year and is set to reach double figures in the goals for column while the goals against is rapidly approaching the ton.

Booval's announcement of its pending

winding up came only a week after the Federation lost Amateur Division one side Westside. The Hungarian backed club was forced out by crippling debts and lack of support.

The QSF is monitoring a number of other struggling clubs and expects a few more to see out the season.

HARD LUCK ANDY

ONE of Queensland's most versatile young players, Andy Ogden, may be forced to hang up his boots.

The 22-year-old, who is the younger brother of Lions NSL midfielder John Ogden, has a fractured vertebrae, caused say the doctors by the hard Australian soccer fields.

The injury only pains Ogden when he runs but has kept him on the sidelines since early in the year.

He wears a brace and is hoping the break away from soccer this season has allowed the injury to heal.

But his moment of truth comes next

month when he has to return to the specialist for a bone scan. Ogden has been told that if the fracture has not healed, the only way he can hope to play again is to have a pin inserted.

But as that involves three months in plaster and a further six months physiotherapy, Ogden said it was unlikely he would go ahead with the operation and he would give soccer away.

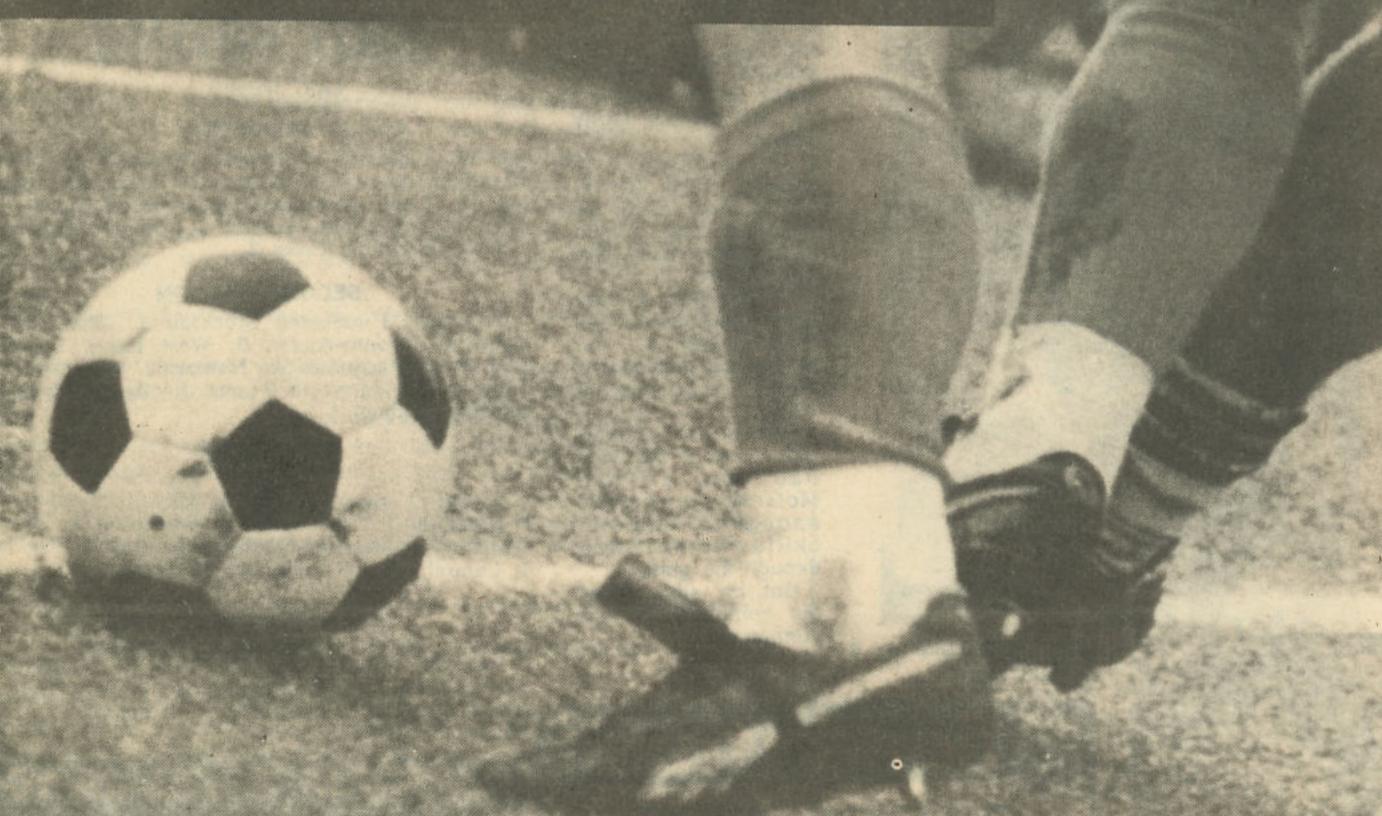
The nippy youngster who tasted grand final success with Olympic

two years ago was to switch to Coalstars this year. But the club reneged on buying him after the injury was diagnosed.

Coalstars were eventually fined by the QSF for playing Ogden in pre-season trial games without Olympic's permission.

If Ogden is given the all clear to play again, he says just to be sure he won't try to train again until the next pre-season. And he added, it was unlikely he would play again for Olympic.

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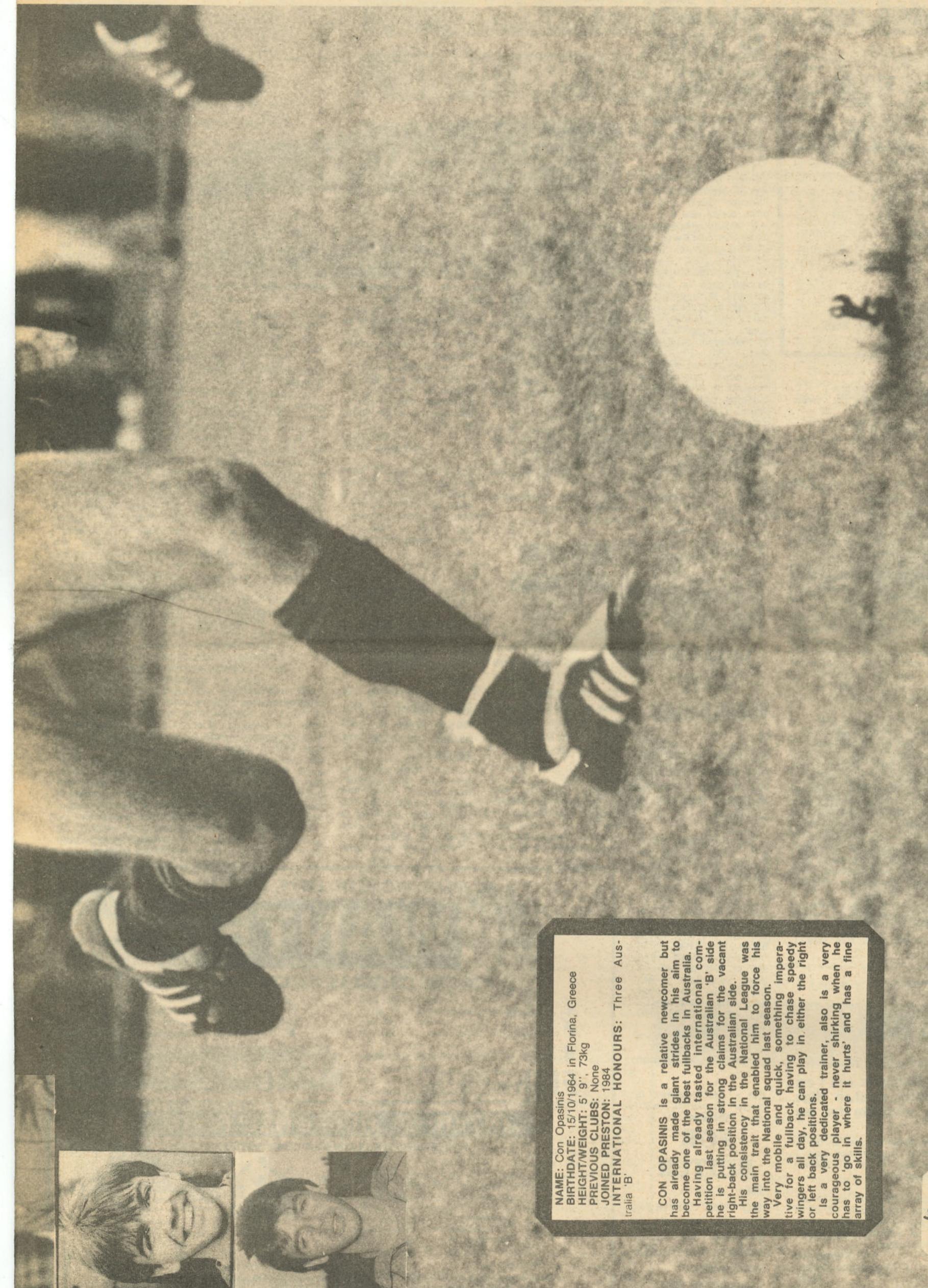


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JOINED PRESTON: 1984
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Three Australia 'B'

CON OPASINIS is a relative newcomer but has already made giant strides in his aim to become one of the best fullbacks in Australia. Having already tasted international competition last season for the Australian 'B' side he is putting in strong claims for the vacant right-back position in the Australian side.

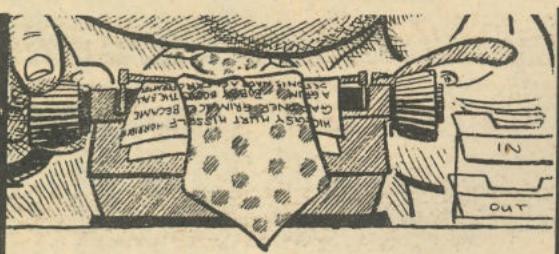
His consistency in the National League was the main trait that enabled him to force his way into the National squad last season. Very mobile and quick, something imperative for a fullback having to chase speedy wingers all day, he can play in either the right or left back positions.

Is a very dedicated trainer, also is a very courageous player - never shirking when he has to 'go in where it hurts' and has a fine array of skills.



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PRATTEN PARK — THE RIOT

Sir,

I HAD the misfortune to attend the Olympic-Sydney City soccer match.

I was ballboy when Western Suburbs played Pan Hellenic at Drummoyne Oval in 1970. On that day the Hellenic supporters invaded the pitch in protest of the third goal scored by Western Suburbs. They kicked the groundsman unconscious and he had to be admitted to hospital.

I played for 5 years at Apia-Leichhardt (1975 to 1979) crowd unrest was common whenever we played Olympic. In recent years we have had the Pan Hellenic/Olympic supporters spitting at opposition players and officials and on occasions at their own players and officials. There is no excuse for this anti-social behaviour.

Today the Olympic supporters will undoubtedly be blaming Gerry Gomez for his original tackle on Soper, or the referee for not sending Gomez off. In my mind the referee did not put a foot wrong. The Gomez tackle was certainly a bad tackle - worthy of at least a yellow card. Soper's retaliation was with a yellow card. Soper's over-the-ball tackle on Gomez was definitely worth a red card.

As I said, there is no excuse for this sort of behaviour. I felt sick. Tony Pezzano, the Sydney City goalkeeper, was running like a trapped animal whose life was in danger. It was.

Brad Palmer,
Drummoyne, NSW

ED - What needs to be said that hasn't already been said?

PLATINI

Dear Sir,

MY NAME is Les Rodriguez and I am a student of James Meehan High School currently studying for my HSC.

Part of this course requires me to do a Special Interest Option Assignment and I have chosen to do part of it on Michel Platini the French soccer player.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could possibly send me any information on him. If you do not have such information, could you please send me an address from which I could obtain such information.

Les Rodriguez
Macquarie Fields
NSW

ED - We would be pleased to help in any way possible — drop us a line to inform us what you need.

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I suggest you give this suggestion some serious thought.

A. Wheelhouse

ED - A good point raised. Bruce Stadium is certainly a fine venue for Internationals, it has the facilities and very capable of the atmosphere if filled.

BRYAN ROBSON CALLING WEST WODONGA!!

Men,

WE have heard that you have been losing a few matches and that you are a bit down.

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Now get out there to PLAY AND ENJOY.
Bryan Robson

ED - THIS letter is quite genuine...well done Wodonga.

FOR BETTER

Sir,

SO the Olympic fans(?) are set to boycott the forthcoming International Series.

Good. We could do without such animalistic behaviour — although they ARE in



Bruce Stadium in all its glory, with a good crowd in attendance. Should this be the venue for Australia's international matches?

the minority — and I am sure the true fans will team up and not be led like sheep.

Finally let me remind these so called "Machos" that the game in bigger than any individual(s), club or whatever.

Let's turn up and make the series the success it deserves.

J. Tonna,
Coburg, Victoria

ED - As for making this series a success ... I'm with you.

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ten to every club in State League divisions 1 to 3 with the exception of Rooty Hill but have only had replies from a small handful of them.

In Queensland all clubs in the Premier and Intermediate Leagues were written to with only replies from four of them.

I decided to take on this project as there is little information available about Australian soccer clubs as compared with those of Europe, plus I wanted to put something back into soccer in return for all the enjoyment it has given me.

However I am somewhat disappointed by the lack of response given by the clubs.

Evan Cassidy,
Ferntree Gully,
Victoria.

OZ SOCCER HERITAGE BUFF

Dear Sir,

I am writing to your paper in the hope that it can assist me with my enquiries.

I am trying to compile facts and information about Australian soccer clubs with the view to publishing a book, set out in the style of a dictionary.

In NSW I have writ-

ten to every club in State League divisions 1 to 3 with the exception of Rooty Hill but have only had replies from a small handful of them.

In Queensland all clubs in the Premier and Intermediate Leagues were written to with only replies from four of them.

(iv) At times players wearing this strip tend to blend in with the colour of the turf, detracting from the game as a spectacle.

(v) It is arguable that yellow and green are in fact Australia's sporting colours.

(vi) A red strip, on the other hand is a vivid, vibrant colour that would inspire the players, and just as importantly, the supporters — it would result in the crowd chanting 'come on you Reds' in unison, as against unco-ordinated attempts to chant 'Australia', which is difficult and subsequently is only done sporadically with little crowd participation; and against teams like NZ, who treat each match against Australia as a cup final, our boys will need every ounce of consistent vocal support our supporters can give them — "fit our boys out in red".

Gerald Hutchings,
Kensington, NSW

ED - You've got to be kidding! Go to red? Our national strip colour is fine — maybe it needs a bit of designing but certainly no change of colour. An interesting suggestion — but no chance!



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ILLAWARRA JOTTINGS

BY PHIL MURPHY

ARIS striker Steve Quirk has become the first victim of a clamp-down by Illawarra referees on players making obscene gestures to spectators.

Quirk was sent off in the game against Cringila at Crehan Park after raising his arm to a section of the crowd.

The incident happened after Quirk and a Cringila player were involved in a scuffle near the sideline.

Referee Robert Robertson immediately ran across to Quirk and showed him the red card.

The incident caused a storm of controversy with Quirk claiming he had been made a scapegoat following the edict issued by Illawarra soccer officials.

Last month they contacted the referees association asking that stronger action be taken when players make obscene gestures to the crowd.

When discussing the matter the ISA hierarchy said they felt such incidents can cause riots at soccer matches.

Quirk said he was shocked when sent off as he had not been previously cautioned in the game.

"I haven't had a yellow card all season and haven't been sent off in eight years of first grade soccer," he said.

Aris coach Robert Fryer said the incident was ridiculous.

"The ISA may have told the referees to clamp down on this business but surely they should also have told clubs what was on," Fryer said.

"If such information was given to my club I would have warned the players against such an action but what has happened to Quirk is not fair at all."

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It hasn't been advertised but Illawarra soccer has provided something that little bit out of the ordinary — a referee rather than a player has been suspended.

The whistler has been outed for two weeks after a report from a premier league club that he had been involved in a confrontation with one of its players.

We wonder if he was shown the red card — the ref that is.

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Corrimal officials are hoping they will stay in premier league because they have better ground facilities than any club liable to come up from first division.

Corrimal seem doomed to finish second-last but secretary Peter Dent says there is still plenty of hope.

"Any team in first division which wins the right to come up must meet the standards required in premier league," he said.

"We would like to have dodged relegation by winning a few more games but the rules are clear when it comes to promotion and relegation."

Unanderra are leading the race for a place in the top league but they play at Unanderra Oval — certainly not a premier league standard ground.

Balgownie and Coniston are also in the race and do have acceptable grounds while Coledale are in fourth spot.

Overall Corrimal's chances of avoiding the drop look good.

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WITH TOM McKAIN

MIXED FEELINGS

THE Vics have done it again. They wanted a league packed with their own teams and now they want to revert to an elite 14-team NSL.

When the change in format was made the Melbourne clubs stated the crowds would flock to the "derby" games.

Instead, the fans have stayed away in droves.

Now we have South Melbourne vice-president Bill Georgantitis, being reported as saying: "I believe our fans want to see the Sydney Olympic's, Sydney City's and Marconi's.

"The club can no longer rely on a hard core who will come to watch no matter who we are playing."

South's gates are reported to be down by 40 per cent.

So what happened to all those fans who were supposedly clamouring for derby games?

The format was changed from the 14-team league to two divisions to save money — for no other reason.

Travel costs have been almost halved, so now where is the money coming from for trips to Sydney, Canberra and Newcastle as well as Adelaide and Brisbane?

Preston is also reported to be interested in a one-league set-up, while others again are pushing for super State Leagues with play-offs at the end of the season under the title of a "National League."

Green Gully is apparently disenchanted by the NSL and wants out.

Adelaide pair City and West, despite a struggle raising cash, and certainly not relying on gate takings, are happy to stick with the NSL.

"We are over our cash difficulties and we could buy a team tomorrow," said West president Frank Karagiannis.

"But we want to keep a proper balance and will import only two or three players."

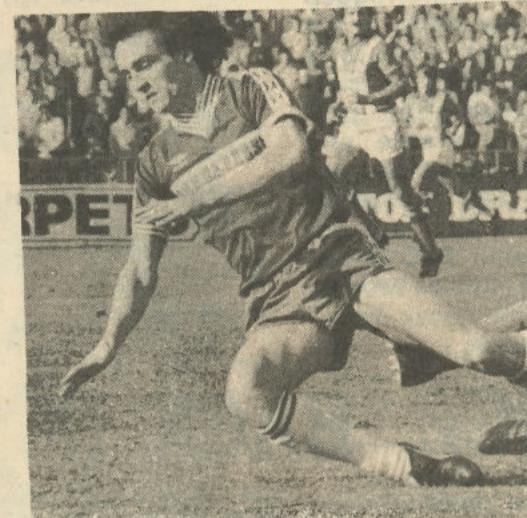
"This season we packed our team with local talent in an experiment and it didn't work."

"Now we know what to do and we will do it."

"We don't care what the format for the NSL is."

"We won the league when it was just one division and we hope to do so again before much longer."

City president, Charlie Caruso, a for-



ABOVE & BELOW: Action from South Melbourne's all-conquering 1984 side. They are not drawing the necessary crowds says ASW's TOM MCKAIN.



mer member of the NSL executive, said he had always been against splitting the league.

"At the time we went along with it because of the cash angle with high travel expenses, but the competition lost a lot of its glamour, restricting it to two areas," he said.

"We have to make up our minds what we want and what we can afford."

"The NSL will lose all credibility if it is forced to again change the format."

"But I will admit, and I said it at the time, we do not have enough top class teams to have 24 classes as NSL material."

Of his own club's lack of progress on the field, Caruso said it was no secret they had put their Olympic Sports Field clubrooms as the first priority.

"We now have only \$70,000 to pay off and next season we will be able to afford to spend more cash on playing staff," he said.

"We play good soccer, but if you don't win with it, the fans

BAFFLER!

WORK this one out!

When former Adelaide City player Anthony Dorigo left Adelaide three years ago at the age of 16 to join English First Division club Aston Villa as an apprentice, he left on an Italian passport.

Although born in Adelaide, his father Robert, who migrated from Italy many years ago, was not an Australian citizen, so therefore Anthony was in order to obtain an Italian passport.

Of course, because he was born in Australia he also could have an Australian Passport.

But, because of the European Common Market, it's much easier to get into the UK with an Italian Passport.

Three years have gone by and Anthony is no more that diminutive player that he was — he is the toast of Aston Villa playing on the regular basis in the first team and that is only a part of the good news about this talented young man.

Last week he was asked to stand-by for selection in the England U/21 side.

There is one problem, Anthony officially is not an English citizen, he has now lodged an application to become one, and should be approved, but until that happens he can not represent England — until six months ago there were hopes that Anthony perhaps might play for Australia one day but those hopes are now gone because his parents and his younger sister have moved to live in Birmingham on a permanent basis.

— VIC MIGLIACCIO



Tony Dorigo

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INDOOR TRAINING

WITH the terrible weather we've had in Sydney this season, with grounds often waterlogged and unusable, a few indoor sessions need to be planned. Rather than just going inside and having a game, worthwhile sessions that are enjoyable and beneficial can be worked on.

SESSION 1

WARM UP

Circle — 6 balls to 16 players.

Moving across circle avoiding other players to give ball to player waiting.

Throw passing chipping etc.

Chasing game for change of pace etc.

All players in area two men chasing holding ball in both hands to touch any player.

Then change.

Working at possession.

Throw / head / catch using that sequences.

FINISH OFF WITH

Competition

4 teams of 4.

SESSION 2

WARM UP

Using whole indoor area pairs — ball be-

tween two moving about anywhere and passing on the whistle — player receiving move with ball on receiving.

Various exercises with ball.

Hamstring Stretch — Passing ball stretching between legs.

Over Under — Back to back stretch to pass ball then bend under the ball.

Twisting Round — Back to back passing ball around body.

2v2 with 1 man on each side acting as markers for 1/2 is all when 1 team has possession.

Object is this game to get the ball to opposite corners.

FINISH OFF WITH

Competition

4 teams of 4.

REP. COACHES REQUIRED

The Sutherland Shire Junior Soccer Association invites applications for the following coaching positions for the 1986 season:

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- U/13 to U16 Youth League
- Goalkeeping Coach

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P.O. Box 231,
Miranda N.S.W. 2228.

Applications close on August 16 for the Director of Coaching and on August 30 for the remainder of the coaching positions.

revealed only severe bruising.

Along with him Peter Vale and Mark Holloway were also casualties.

SUTHERLAND:
Birchmore, Shoeman, Terry, Burrows, Dal Forno, Webber (Johnson), Meades, Harrington, Rogers, Beggs, Hall.

MANLY: I. Barker, Gogic, Pagano, Etherington, Vale (Dennis), Holloway, Pierce (Baumgartner), Pierce, Williamson, Stuart.

URUGUAY 1
WARRINGAH 1

TWO OF THE LOWLY TEAMS FOUGHT OUT A 1-1 DRAW YESTERDAY AND IN TURN KEPT THE INTEREST AT THE BOTTOM HIGH.

Allan Dean scored first for Warringah and a penalty to Hastic after Fernandez was fouled levelled the scores.

WARRINGAH: P. Dean, Hanley, Jones, Watt, Parfitt, Griffin, Collings, A. Dean, Van Heilson, Sander, Nacinovic.

URUGUAY: Rosano, Foladosa, Piriz, Hastie, Krstovic, Fernandez, Valera (Carrizo), Benitez, Arbelo (Nirio), Rodas, Oshana.

AVALA 0
POLONIA 3

IN A TIGHT MATCH THE DIFFERENCE WAS POLONIA'S WILL TO WIN AS THEY HAMMERED HOME THE FACT TO AVALA THAT WITHOUT THE BENCH-SITTING OF VIC DALGLEISH THEY ARE IN TROUBLE.

A fine move by Stefan Janic led to the first goal when Andrej Pop headed in from 10 metres.

Avala admittedly were most unfortunate - hitting the crossbar and upright often.

Pop and Janic combined for the second and Bratkovic with some tidy work set up the third...scored by Pop.

KU-RING-GAI 1
CANTERBURY 2

A VERY ENTERTAINING MATCH HAD THE CROWD AT PARKLANDS ENTHRALLED BUT A LET DOWN WAS SUFFERED THROUGH THE 2-1 LOSS BY KU-RING-GAI TO TITLE-ASPIRANTS CANTERBURY.

Ku-ring-gai actually went ahead after 16 minutes when Andrew Brockbank found Craig Bass who in turn gave Mark Nile a chance to head home - something which he made no mistake with.

In the 19th minute a free-kick was awarded to Canterbury which was beautifully executed between Carlos Ortega and Paul Kirwan which left Andrew Lacey with no chance.

Canterbury then hit the front in the 36th minute when Borges raced through the middle to meet a Hantzis cross and score through a crowded area.

The bane of Ku-ring-gai at the moment seems to be there formely rock-like defence.

Chris Hummel continually denied Ku-ring-gai as they attacked relentlessly.

Without doubt Canterbury earned their victory.

KU-RING-GAI: Lacey, Kevern, Goldsworthy, Bertram, Watson, Sutherland, Ellem (Bennett 63), Dene (N. Williamson 71), Nile, Bass.

CANTERBURY: Hummel, Karaspyros, Hantzis, Redman, Pena, Hormazabal, Anagnastopoulos, Borges, Ortega (Kalogeros 71), Kirwan, Silva.



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SATURDAY AUGUST 3:

SUTHERLAND SHIRE v KU-RING-GAI SEYMOUR SHAW PARK
BANKSTOWN NAT. v POLONIA JENSEN PARK
WARRINGAH N'BEEN v MANLY WARRINGAH NARRABEEN F/C

SUNDAY AUGUST 4:

WARRINGAH N'BEEN v FAIRY MEADOW NARRABEEN F/C
MELITA EAGLES v MANLY WARRINGAH MELITA STADIUM
CANT v M'VILLE OLY v ROCKDALE ILINDEN ARLINGTON OVAL
POLONIA v URUGUAYAN AUBURN CHOPIN PARK
AVALA v BANKSTOWN NATIONAL KNIGHT PK. No.4

SECOND DIVISION

SATURDAY AUGUST 3:
Artarmon v SSC Yugal
Artarmon Reserve
Cant & Dist v Bathurst '75
Blick Oval
Penrith United v Campbelltown City
Cook Park

SUNDAY AUGUST 4:

Dee Why v Queens Park
Cromer Park
W'gong Macedonia v C'belltown City
Berkeley S/G
North Bankstown v Gladesville H.
Cant & Dist v Penrith United
Blick Oval
Blacktown United v Bathurst '75
Francis Park

SATURDAY AUGUST 10:

ROCKDALE ILINDEN v SUTHERLAND SHIRE HURSTVILLE OVAL
URUGUAY AUBURN v AVALA MONA PARK
SUNDAY AUGUST 11:
FAIRY MEADOW v POLONIA MEMORIAL PARK (Corrimal)
MANLY-WARRINGAH v WARRINGAH NARRABEEN CROMER PARK
KU-RING-GAI v MELITA EAGLES PARKLANDS OVAL
BANKSTOWN NATIONAL v CANTERBURY M'VILLE JENSEN PARK

THIRD DIVISION

SATURDAY AUGUST 3:
Kingsford v Bondi Marine
Erskineville Oval
Uni of NSW v Campbelltown Dist
Little Bay Oval
Baulkham Hills v Port Hacking
Ted Horwood Res.3

SUNDAY AUGUST 4:

Mt Druitt Town v King Tomislav
Popondetta Park
North Ryde RSL v Rooty Hill
North Ryde Oval
Granville Dist v Moorebank L
Garside Park

BANKSTOWN 0
ROCKDALE 2

Rockdale continued their impressive run lately under Atti Abonyi with a 2-0 win over Bankstown yesterday.

Ken Slaveski opened the scoring with a 25 metre curling effort in the 10th minute after good lead-up by Steve Blackburn.

In the 4th minute Mark Hannington from a corner was able to scramble in the first goal.

Sutherland wore Manly down until the 25th minute when Craig Hall drove a header goalward, it hit the ground and took an awful bounce that left keeper Ian Barker with little or no chance.

Straight after the break

burn. In the 22nd minute after a corner and an ensuing scrimmage the ball popped up to Steve Blackburn, who made it 2-0.

Then Rockdale proceeded to bottle up the match and shut Bankstown out.

For Bankstown the ever-reliable Jim Meerabani and Gary Hattan were the best.

Manly began to dominate and were indeed unfortunate not to grab a goal or two.

If it was not for keeper Birchmore Sutherland could well have lost the match.

Manly's appalling run of injuries continued in this match with Wayne Pierce being carried off with what at first seemed a break but later X-rays

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DAVID BARRETT



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PATS MISS OUT IN MCS

PATRICIAN Brothers Fairfield secured places in all three finals of the Metropolitan Catholic Schools competitions... only to come away without a victory.

In a great day of soccer they bogged down in the heavy conditions at Melita Stadium.

John-Paul II College Marayong took out the Year 12 Senior Division whilst Marist Brothers Benedict College Auburn won both the Year 10 Open Division and the U14s.

College principal Brother Christopher, national coach Frank Arok, Sam Vella (Melita) and Keith Charles (Marconi) were special guests at the final.

Also there to show

their interest in the future of the boys were Steve Calderan from Marconi and Tom Basic and Jim Patikas from Sydney Croatia.

In the Senior Division John-Paul completed Fairfield's unhappy day with a well deserved 2-0 win. The scorers were Gian Callegaro and Gianni De Marco.

Marcello Luna took out the man of the match award.

Goals from Vincent Scarella (2), David Kealy and Jason Morris and man of the match Robert Kinda

featured in Benedict's Open Division win, with Tony Krslovic scoring for Fairfield.

Benedict were also too good in under 14. Damien Deguara (2) and Ralph Pagano scored in the 3-0 win and team-mate Charbel Bontonbia was voted man of the match.

Referees Dennis Grace, Richard Beasley and Graham Watson were responsible for a sterling effort in their department, whilst Maurice Gili was again the man behind the excellent organisation of the day.

THOMPSON STEPS UP AT GLADESVILLE

GLADESVILLE-Hornsby FA senior vice-president Brian Thompson this year stepped into the role of president of the local State League Second Division club.

Well known as a referee in Sydney before spending a few years on a business appointment in Papua New Guinea, Thompson is determined to help lift the club to bigger things.

Holding a senior executive position with Westpac, he is well qualified to take care of both his current projects in Soccer.

He was one of the earliest players in the Gladesville-Hornsby (originally Hornsby-Epping) Association and went on to become a referee and then a club president in the Pennant Hills area.

Gladesville-Hornsby has been trying to gain government approval to prepare a worthwhile home ground at Christie Park, situated on Talavera Rd North Ryde, beside the Macquarie University Sports Centre.

Co-operation between the club and association will help the venture.



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FOUR NSW GIRLS MAKE THE SQUAD

BY KEITH GILMOUR

FOUR NSW players have been included in the National under 17 Talent Identification squad announced by National women's soccer coach Fred Robins.

Robins attended a highly successful tournament in Hobart and culled out the players who could look ahead to future National squad consideration.

The NSW girls, coached by Women's State League player Colette Fitzpatrick from Epping-Eastwood club, won the series from seven other states and territories.

They came through undefeated, scoring 23 goals and conceding none.

The players chosen were wingers Julie Hebb and Suzie Coughey, sweeper Lyndal Mudie and utility player and captain Ann-Marie Hiron.

Fred Robins said: "Although NSW were the team of the tournament, they did not have a monopoly on quality players."

"Kerrie Rowe of Queensland was particularly effective as a striker along with Joanne Rooney of Western Australia and Tanya Dwyer of Northern Territory.

"We ended up a little short on midfield players, but Sarah Sheen of Western Australia is a sweeper who also goes well as a central midfielder."



□ FRED ROBINS

"Ann-Marie Hiron can play midfield just as well as she does at full-back."

Winger Julie Hebb is a regular scorer with both foot and head and excels against the more difficult opponents.

Lyndal Mudie was the keystone of the NSW defence and has all the pace needed to match the speediest of the forwards.

Another sweeper of extraordinary talents is Northern NSW Refugee House, from the

Macquarie Association in Newcastle.

She is in her fifth year of soccer but this was her first representation of her state and she made the best of it.

Other Northern NSW players to win selection were tall right-back Karin Wilkinson from the Central Coast and Macquarie striker/central defender Kim Drayton.

Tanya Dwyer from the Northern Territory commenced soccer as a 10 year old playing in boys' competitions.

She has acquired tremendous ball skills and is particularly effective when facing top defenders.

Robins is also the Queensland state coach for the National Championships, to be held in Canberra from August 28/September 6.

Some senior state squads will certainly include some of the girls who are coming through the under 17 ranks.

The championships in Hobart were the first official National titles. Three states competed in Darwin on an unofficial basis in 1984.

Now that the series has been set up it will provide a base for future star players, who can also come up through the under 15 series.

The full squad is: Bronwyn Calver (ACT); Lyndal Mudie, Ann-Marie Hiron, Suzie Coughey, Julie Hebb (NSW); Kim Drayton, Renee House, Karin Wilkinson (Northern NSW); Nicole Green, Tanya Dwyer (NT); Kaylene Janssen, Kerrie Rowe, Vanessa Bunch (Sth Qld); Judith Fox (Tasmania); Joanne Rooney, Julie Ryder, Sarah Sheen (WA).

HOLROYD NEEDS REFS

HOLROYD Ladies Soccer Association has hit the trail to form its own referees' association.

Association official David O'Connor says that the formation of the organisation has become essential.

"Whilst the Granville Referees Association is prepared to help us, the fact is that they have insufficient numbers to control their own fixtures," he said.

"We have a couple of referees and six people decided to do a course as soon as the announcement was made."

David O'Connor said that some outstanding 12 year olds are playing under 16 grade and handling it well.

Holroyd has forty

teams in their ranks, split over Under 12, 14, 16 I, 16 II and all-age I and II grades.

Anyone interested in joining the referee course are who is qualified and wishes to return to the job with Holroyd can contact Mr O'Connor, 66 Hector St, Chester Hill 2162 (Tel. 645 4908).

CLOSE CALL FOR NSW 15s

NSW survived three heart-stopping games but ended four points clear of runners-up Northern NSW with Southern Queensland and Tasmania on even terms in the Under 15s National Championships staged in Hobart.

The first hurdle was a 1-1 draw with Southern Queensland in the second round.

On Day Three, two goals from Katarina Barsby, sunk them against Gary Chamberlain's Northern NSW side.

South Queensland was invariably spurred on by centre-back Raeanne Dower. Quite remarkably, Raeanne was playing in her fifth Under 15s championship - a record that might never be beaten.

The South Queensland team contained other capable girls, including sweeper, Trudie Downie who excelled herself in the 3-3 draw with Northern NSW in waterlogged conditions on the Friday.

NSW faced a determined Northern NSW in their final match on Sunday. If ever a game could have gone either way, it was this one.

When the crunch came under windy and rainy conditions, NSW scored the winner through captain and striker Krissie James.

It was the Tasmanian girls who twice defeated Northern

NSW, with Lee Priest their scorer on the first occasion.

In their second meeting under floodlights at the Grove Street ground, they scored all three but one was a 'perfectly taken' own goal and the others came from aggressive striker, Tanya Patterson.

The Tasmanians fielded some 13 year olds, which augurs well for future years.

In addition the work put into schoolgirl soccer by Keith Jones and other enthusiasts means that the game has a great future.

Goalkeeper Yolanda McCarthy and sweeper and captain Cathy Harrison, were amongst their stars.

On the last day they held South Queensland scoreless, which was yet another feather in their caps.

Not surprisingly, when national coach Fred Robins checked the girls' play, no less than six came from NSW.

Robins was particularly impressed with the potential of midfielders Mary McKittrick and Tracey Wadsworth and winner Jordie Blank.

Jordie was brilliant

when cutting past opponents and she possesses a good cross to complement her skills.

Other choices from NSW were goalkeeper Lara McGurk and strikers Fiona Jackson and Krissie James.

South Queensland produced a real team effort when their players settled down. Amongst those who shone were hard-working Cheryl Barsby, alert striker Romana Bunic and Leanne Augustine, apart from their talent identity selections.

Northern NSW had a sound squad. Katrina Barsby and Nicole Wood certainly caught the eye in the forwards along with top selections defender, Lisa Vandorp and midfielder Janita White from Tamworth.

Making up the balance of the 15 girl talent identity squad were Tasmanians Patterson, McCarthy and Harrison.

To conform with Australian Sports Commission standards the Australian squad is the National Talent Identification Squad instead of the previous "Allstars."

NATIONAL SQUAD EXPANDS

NOMINATION of an Australian squad for a short camp to follow the National Championships in Melbourne early September will not affect other aspiring players, according to national coach Fred Robins.

"I had to take action because this is a one-off opportunity to get the experienced internationals together. The States were not keen to release players for weekend camps, especially as in many cases, weather conditions put their matches well behind."

"I could not include other players because my job will be to assess them all at the nationals."

Fred Robins will expand his squad whilst

months and the national team had to be very quickly reconstructed to replace the China tour players who were forced to drop out.

As it stands, the Oceania Cup Tournament (March 29 to April 12, 1986), is Australia's only present firm commitment.

From March 22 to 27, the final squad will go into their first ever camp at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

The Australian Sports Commission has allocated \$5,000 towards the fares and accommodation

LIBBY MARSHALL, a stylish youngster, caught the eye of many keen judges in the National Under 17s Championships in Hobart.

Playing as a midfielder for Northern NSW, Libby is seen here (white shirt) accidentally playing leapfrog with Tasmanian defender Katrina Rickter in a battle for possession.

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UK Scene

DOC LASHES THE PFA

TOMMY DOCHERTY is in the news again, but not making the sort of headlines he would like.

After getting the sack from Wolves, The Doc lashed out at the players' union when he said: "The Professional Footballers Association is running football and players don't have the same

appetite any more."

That was like a case of biting the hand that feeds you. The PFA bailed Wolves out of cash trouble more than once last season, loaning the club \$120,000 to help meet Wolves wage bill.

THAT charismatic character Frank Worthington, once described as "the oldest teenager in soccer," has been appointed team manager of Tranmere Rovers.

This ends speculation that Worthington could finish his playing days with an Australian club.

At Tranmere, Worthington faces a headache with always afflicts managers with that club . . . they have to live in the shadow of giants Liverpool and Everton and try to compete.

The new boss, however, does not see this as a problem. "Tranmere Rovers ought to be inspired by the success of

Liverpool and Everton sparkle will rub off on us," said Worthington.

MILLWALL WANT CYRILLE REGIS

CYRILLE REGIS, the centre-forward who faded surprisingly out of England's international squad, is likely to leave Coventry City.

Regis, who first found fame in London, could return to the big city to help Millwall's promotion push.

He has not been

able to recapture his form of a few years ago but Regis remains a forward of genuine ability who could do a mighty job Millwall.

CLOUGH AND FAIRCLOUGH



CHRIS FAIRCLOUGH

NOTTINGHAM FOREST boss Brian Clough reacted swiftly to Tottenham Hotspur's attempts to sign centre-half Chris Fairclough for \$1,000,000.

Clough immediately offered Fairclough an increase in salary which should keep the player at Forest.

McQUEEN ON THE MOVE

GORDON McQUEEN is no longer rated first team material by Manchester United and will be allowed to leave.

Paul McGrath, Graeme Hogg and

Kevin Moran have the central defence well covered at Old Trafford so McQueen is the odd man out.

Brighton, promotion-chasing next season, have signed another outstanding player, Dennis Mortimer the Aston Villa skipper.

The Scottish international defender, billed as one of the "big stars" in a sub-strength United team which toured Australia last year, is likely to switch to Brighton.



GORDON McQUEEN — no longer a Red.

SPURS LOOK AT GARY

GARY GILLESPIE is one of several centre-halves whose future interests Tottenham Hotspur.

Spurs are searching high and low to strengthen their central defence but deny they want West Ham's Alvin Martin.

Gillespie is no

longer wanted by Liverpool, who have rarely given him the chance of first team football.

One centre-half who will not be joining Spurs is England's Terry Butcher of Ipswich Town.

Butcher, 27, has just signed a new three-year contract with Ipswich.

He joined Ipswich straight from school and commented that he had always been given a fair go by the club.

His Ipswich team-mate Eric Gates, who looked like going to Newcastle United, will probably decide to remain with Ipswich.

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CHRIS WOODS ... wants out.

Chris, 23, looked after youth development at Southampton when his dad was manager there.

There is another McMenemy boy but he has no plans to team up with dad and Chris at Roker Park.

The 21 year-old Sean McMenemy is lead guitarist with a pop group called Florida.

Lew Chatterly, formerly assistant manager to Lawrie McMenemy at South-

ampton, has accepted an offer to do a similar job at Sunderland.

OSSIE ARDILES has just celebrated seven years with Spurs but denies he has a "seven-year itch" which could lead to a move.

"I have no fears about Spurs having a big squad nor about fighting for a place in the team," said Ossie, who has been offered a new contract with the London club.

SOCER WORLD



SERVETTE BID 'NONSENSE'

THERE have been strong denials that Swiss champions Servette are about to sign Gary Thompson from England's West Bromwich Albion.

Thompson read in a newspaper that he had refused an offer to play for Servette but he claims: "That's a load of nonsense. I haven't even spoken to Servette, let alone refused to sign for them."

QUO VADIS?

CESAR LUIS MENOTTI is taking a long time to get fixed up

A couple of weeks ago, Menotti seemed certain to join Panathinaikos in Greece but negotiations fell through after Menotti visited Athens.

Panathinaikos is the fourth leading club which has been linked with the former Argentina World Cup coach,

The salary is \$2,000 a week plus bonuses

Menotti, who took over as Barcelona boss two years ago, will settle in South America, but not in his native Argentina.

He is alleged to be lined up to become boss man with Fluminense in Rio de Janeiro.

The salary is \$2,000 a week plus bonuses



BORIS BECKER ... tennis in preference to soccer. He in fact showed off some of his soccer skills during the Wimbledon final.

UNION GUNS FOR JOHAN CRUYFF

JOHAN CRUYFF is in trouble in his new job as technical director of Ajax Amsterdam.

The Dutch Coaching Union wants the Football Association to discipline Cruyff for coaching without a diploma.

In Holland, anyone wishing to coach has to pass a stringent examination before being accepted.

Cruyff refuses to bow to the pressure.

He said: "There is

nothing the union can do about it — because it's nonsense. I'm not coaching — I have three men under me who do that."

It may be recalled that Franz Beckenbauer encountered similar opposition when he replaced Jupp Derwall as national coach of West Germany.

BECKER CHOSE RIGHT RACKET

BORIS BECKER, the sensational West German winner of the Wimbledon Singles title, once fancied making a career in football.

Becker, in fact, was offered terms to sign for Germany's greatest club, Bayern Munich.

He discussed the deal with his father Karl Heinz and mother Elvira — both mad tennis fans — and they persuaded teenager Boris to concentrate on tennis and forget football.

Becker is already a millionaire and he's hardly started his career in top tennis.

The brilliant youngster will make a fortune in the next 10 years ... unless he suddenly loses his ability, and that is most unlikely.

And he's not risking soccer problems like ligament damage, broken legs, and so forth.



JOHAN CRUYFF in deep water again.

\$4,000 A WEEK OFFER REFUSED BY CARTWRIGHT

JOHN CARTWRIGHT gave up a salary of \$4,000 per week with the Sporting Club of Kuwait when he decided to join Arsenal as first team coach and assistant to Don Howe.

Cartwright will be well rewarded but has obviously taken a big cut salary.

He says: "I made the right decision. Who can turn down the chance to work with Arsenal?"

Cartwright has a philosophy which is simply . . . "Every adversity can be overcome by effort."

There were plenty of adversities at Arsenal last season, so it will be interesting to see how the new coach

For instance, how do you conquer irate fans demanding "sack the manager?"

Cartwright says his first impressions with

the Arsenal players have been good.

"The players look like they could win something — they certainly look as if they want to," he said.



JOHN CARTWRIGHT

WHITESIDE TARGET FOR LECCE

LECCE, just promoted to the Italian first division, have been checking up on Manchester United's Cup Final match-winner Norman Whiteside.

Two officials of the Lecce club, general manager Domenico Calaldo and president Francesco Juriano, planned a trip to Old Trafford to talk terms but they were put off by United boss Ron Atkinson.

Although Lecce would have paid \$2,500,000 for

Whiteside, they were told by Atkinson: "We're not selling."

Strangely enough, Whiteside, the Northern Ireland international, could have been bought for about half that figure during last season when he could not get a place in United's first team.

CASH CUT

KUWAIT is one of the world's richest nations but it seems there is a temporary shortage of cash there to invest in football.

Less than a week after Malcolm Allison joined Kuwait as national coach, his plans for a tour to Portugal and Morocco have been squashed.

The unexpected money problems were caused by an alleged \$10,000,000 swindle in the Kuwait Football Association.